

18-02-22-4010



Application for Judicial Determination of Probable Cause

Arrestee **DOB** **Sex**
Michael Lee Laflex 06-18-1977 M

Filed in District Court
State of Minnesota
NOV 01 2022

Arresting Agency
MN0180000
Arresting Officer
Kleffman/Loeffler

Case #
22014730
Transporting Officer
Loeffler

Arrest Date \ Time
10-29-2022 1223

Arrest Location
1210 9th Ave NE, Brainerd, MN 56401

| # | Lvl | Status | Statute | Short Description |
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| 1 | Felony | COURT/PENDING | 609.19.1(1) | Murder - 2nd Degree - With Intent-Not Premedi |

Sentence Duration **Start Date** **Concurrent**
00:00:00 No

Notes \ Probable cause

10-28-22 a missing person report was reported by Cordelia Laflex. She reported her boyfriend, Bryce Brogle, had gone missing after going to a storage unit rented by her father, Michael Laflex. Michael initially told investigating law enforcement that Brogle had been arrested by unknown law enforcement. Michael also initially stated that Brogle had 2 cell phones and the unknown law enforcement took those with. He later changed his story to that he had disposed of the phones in a garbage can at a gas station in the City of Brainerd. The phones were ultimately located by investigating law enforcement. Further investigation included information gained from a concerned citizen (CC) who wished to remain anonymous but their identity was known by Inv. Loeffler. The anonymous CC was having occasional conversations, throughout the evening of 10-28-22, with a family member of Michael. The family member was informing the anonymous CC that Michael was disclosing details of the incident to the family member. The details included but not limited to were that Michael believed Brogle had been abusing his daughter, Cordelia. Michael had shot Brogle at a storage unit complex in the Ossipee area on or about the evening of 10/26/2022. Laflex was said to have cleaned up the unit using bleach. Laflex further informed the family member that he had disposed of the body and Brogle would not be found as it been buried. It was said some sort of a sled was used to move Brogle's body at one point. A search warrant was executed at the storage unit rented by Laflex. Law enforcement was able to find what appeared to be a substance that had the visual characteristics of blood on the concrete floor of the storage unit. There were also marks on the concrete floor of the storage unit that appeared consistent with something being dragged across the floor in a similar width to a sled.

- A Prior application for probable cause to detain this person was submitted to the court. Yes ___ No ___ Explain _____
- I have contacted the prosecuting attorney, who has approved this Application for Judicial Determination of Probable Cause to Detain. Yes ___ No ___ Attorney _____
- I have attempted to contact the prosecuting attorney to approve this Application, but have been unable to do so for the following reason: _____
- This Application is being submitted to the prosecuting attorney in written form for approval. Yes No ___

For Misdemeanors only: Continued detention is required to: Prevent bodily harm to the accused or other
 Prevent further criminal conduct
 Substantial likelihood the accused will fail to respond to a citation

The complainant, being duly sworn, swears the above facts are true and correct to the best of the complainant's knowledge and belief and constitute probable cause to believe that the above-named arrestee committed the offenses described herein:

Complainant's Signature: _____ Agency & Badge #: WLD 0 #142

T. Loeffler #142

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29 day of October, 2022
Raymond S. Sukhoff
Judge, Judicial Officer or Notary Public