

IN THE **WEST MESA JUSTICE** COURT
STATE OF ARIZONA, COUNTY OF MARICOPA

RELEASE QUESTIONNAIRE

DEFENDANT'S NAME Iren Shawndre Byers **DOB** 4/10/2003 **BOOKING NO.** _____
ALIAS (ES) _____

A. GENERAL INFORMATION

Charges: 2023-110697 1 ct. ARS 13-1105A1, 1nd Degree Murder, C1F
2023-110784 1 ct. ARS 13-1105A1 1st Degree Murder, C1F
2023-110809 1 ct. ARS 13-1105A1 1st Degree Murder, C1F
Phx PD 2023-800739 1 ct. ARS 13-1105A1 1st Degree Murder, C1F
2023-1107761 1 ct. ARS 13-1105A1 Attempted 1st Degree Murder, C2F

Pursuant to A.R.S. §41-1750 ten-print fingerprints were taken of the arrested person? Yes No
 If yes, PCN = _____

Pursuant to A.R.S. §13-610 one or more of the above charges requires the arresting agency to secure a DNA Sample from the arrested person? Yes No

If yes, does the defendant have a valid DNA sample on file with AZDPS? Yes No

If no, Arresting Agency has taken required sample? Yes No

Offense Location: 115 N Beverly
 Offense Date: 05/26/23 Offense Time: 2206

Arrest Location: 130 N Robson Mesa AZ 85201
 Arrest Date: 05/27/2023 Arrest Time: 1800

B. PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

1. Summarize and include the facts which establish probable cause for the arrest for the crimes charged:

Phoenix PD case 2023-800739

On 5/26/23 at approximately 1441 hours the defendant was with Victim #1 while on the canal bank located 2409 North 25th Street Phoenix, AZ. This incident was captured on a security camera from the listed address and showed the defendant, who was wearing a red shirt, black fanny pack over his shoulder, black pants and black shoes, make a furtive movement toward the victim consistent with pointing a gun. A sound consistent with a gunshot is heard and the defendant is seen fleeing on foot, south on 25th Street.

The defendant was not contacted on this date by any responding patrol units. At the scene an expended 9mm Luger casing was recovered. The victim had an injury to his head, consistent with being shot. Fire personnel responded and the victim was pronounced deceased.

Phoenix investigators worked with Mesa Police and determined the same suspect was believed to be responsible. This was based

off the suspect clothing, physical description, victims status, and a 9mm firearm used in each incident.

Mesa PD case 2023-110697

On 5/26/23, at 2229 hours, Patrol responded to Beverly Park located at 115 N. Beverly for a welfare check on a subject who was found down at the park. Victim #2 was found with what appeared to be a gunshot wound to the head. Victim #2 was found on the southeast side of the park about 50 feet from a rod iron fence separated Beverly Park from the apartments at 950 W. Main St. Witnesses were located who heard a shot but didn't see any suspects. A resident at 950 W Main St. had a ring camera that showed a slender individual wearing a red shirt and dark pants walk from the apartment complex, pass through the open fence and into the park. The subject is then seen walking towards the area where victim #2 was found deceased, and a single gunshot is heard on the footage. No casings were located after an extensive search.

Mesa PD case 2023-110784

On 5/27/23, while detectives were investigating the first homicide, victim #3 was located at approximately 220 S. Country Club at about 0000 hours laying on the westside sidewalk with an apparent gunshot wound to his head. A witness was located who said she exited the light rail at Country Club and walked south on County Club when she noticed a black male subject wearing a red shirt, black pants and a black fanny pack following her. The witness said she saw the black male walking south on Country Club towards Broadway with another male. The witness said she observed the two males walking south until she lost sight of them for a short period of time and then heard a loud pop. She said she then saw the same black male subject running north, away from the area where victim #3 was located. During the scene investigation detectives located one fired 9mm casing next to victim #3.

Mesa PD case 2023-110809

On 5/27/23 At approximately 0202 hours patrol was checking the train tracks just west of Extension and 2nd Ave when they located a deceased male, victim #4 with multiple apparent gunshot wounds to his person. No witnesses were located to this homicide. On scene detectives located three fired 9mm casings.

Mesa PD case 2023-110761

On 5/27/23 at approximately 0014 hours, victim #5 was located at Stewart and Main with at least one gunshot wound to her head. This victim is currently at Banner Desert and expected to survive. Two fired 9mm casings were recovered at the scene.

All of the fired casings located from each case were seized and inspected for NIBIN evaluation and entry. Preliminarily, at least one casing from each scene matched being fired from the same handgun.

Video from various sources were reviewed including from the light rail and Circle K where the defendant is wearing the same matching clothing. The defendant was located leaving from 118

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N Extension Mesa, AZ and contacted. The defendant was arrested on an unrelated charge and an interview was attempted by Phoenix and Mesa Detectives. The defendant was read his Miranda rights and he advised he understood his rights.

The defendant stated he recognized victim #1, when shown a photograph. The defendant also identified himself from the surveillance video collected from this scene. The defendant admitted he met victim #1 near 24th Street and Thomas and they walked down the canal together. Victim #1 was smoking fentanyl and that is when the defendant used his Taurus 9mm handgun to shoot victim #1 in the head. The defendant said he left the scene and got on a bus. He shot victim #1 because he was abusing fentanyl, which he did not like since the defendant's brother abused the drug too.

The defendant stated victim #1 was not armed and was not a threat to him. The defendant had his cell phone on his person and did not call for help for the victim because he did not deserve it. The defendant believed victim #1 died from the gunshot wound. The defendant had no remorse for killing the victim.

The defendant stated he entered Beverly park and contacted Victim #2, who was sitting on the south side of the park. The defendant stated victim #2 was talking about blues so he shot him in the head. The defendant did not call for medical aid because victim #2 didn't deserve it.

The defendant stated he met victim #3 at Circle K and started to talk to him while riding the light rail towards Country Club. The defendant said he wanted to smoke weed but victim #3 wanted to smoke blues. While walking down Country Club towards Broadway, he shot victim #3 in the head. The defendant did not call for medical aid because victim #3 didn't deserve it.

The defendant stated he met victim #4 while walking on the railroad tracks and victim #4 started talking to him. The defendant stated victim #4 was homeless and not from around here so he shot him in the head. Victim #4 fell down the hill and the defendant followed him to continue shooting him. The defendant did not call for medical aid because victim #4 didn't deserve it.

The defendant stated he met victim #5 while walking on Main street near a hotel. He started to talk with victim #5 until she made him mad so he shot her in the face. The defendant said he shot her another time because she wasn't dead yet. The defendant did not call for medical aid because victim #4 didn't deserve it.

The defendant stated the clothes he was wearing and the gun he used was in apartment #121 at 118 N Extension in his fanny pack in his grandmother room. A search warrant was executed at this address and a red shirt, black pants, black shoes and a black fanny pack was located inside the grandmother bedroom. Inside the fanny pack was a loaded 9mm Taurus handgun.

Based on the evidence collected at each scene, the admission of the defendant under Miranda and the evidence collected inside the apartment, the defendant was charged with the following:

4 counts 1st Degree Murder ARS 13-1105A1 C1F
1 count Attempted 1st Degree Murder ARS 13-1105A1 C2F

C. OTHER INFORMATION

1. Defendant is presently on probation, parole, or any other form of release involving other charges or convictions.
Explain: _____
2. List any prior:
Arrests? trespass
Convictions?
Failures to Appear (FTA)? _____
Protective Orders? _____
3. Is there any indication the defendant is:
 An Alcoholic? An Addict?
 Mentally Disturbed? Physically Ill?
4. Defendant is currently employed
With Whom recently fired
How long: Unk
5. Where does the defendant currently reside?
118 N Extension #121 Mesa, AZ
With Whom: family
How Long: _____ years _____ months 14 days
6. What facts indicate the defendant will flee if released? Explain: severity of the charges and no remorse.
7. What facts does the State have to oppose an unsecured release? Explain: severity of the charges and no remorse.

D. CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE OFFENSE

(Check if applicable)

1. Firearm or other weapon was used
Type: 9mm handgun
 Someone was injured by the defendant
 Medical attention was necessary
Nature of injuries: multiple deaths
2. Someone was threatened by the defendant
Nature of threats: Yes, multiple
3. If property offense value of property taken/damaged:
 Property was recovered
4. Names of co-defendant(s), if any: _____

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E. CRIME(S) AGAINST PERSONS

- Relationship of defendant to victim: unknown.
 Victim(s) and defendant reside together.
- How was the situation brought to the attention of the police?
 Victim Third Party Officer observed
- There are previous incidents involving these same parties
Explain: N/A
- Is Defendant currently the subject of:
 An Order of Protection Any other court order
 Injunction against Harassment
Explain: _____

G. CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE ARREST (Check if applicable)

- Did defendant attempt to:
 Avoid arrest Resist arrest Self Surrender
Explain: _____
- Defendant was armed when arrested
Type: _____
- Evidence of the offense was found in the defendant's possession
Explain: clothing
- Was the defendant under the influence of alcohol or drugs at the time of the offense?
 Yes No Unk

F. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE DEFENDANT ISSUES

Defendant's actions:

- Threats of homicide/suicide/bodily harm
- Control/ownership/jealousy issue Crime occurs in public
- Prior history of Domestic Violence Kidnapping
- Frequency/intensity of DV increasing Depression
- Access to or use of weapon Stalking behavior
- Violence against children, vulnerable adults or animals
- Multiple violations of court orders

H. DRUG OFFENSES

- If the defendant is considered to be a drug dealer, please state the supporting facts: _____
- What quantities and types of illegal drugs are directly involved in the offense ? _____
 Drug field test completed
 Defendant admission of drug type:
Approximate monetary value: \$ _____
- Was any money seized?
 Yes No
Amount: \$ _____

**** If a fugitive arrest, a from IVA must also be completed ****

I certify that the information presented is true to the best of my knowledge:

D. Hallemeyer #15339

Mesa PD 480-644-2211

5/27/2023

Arresting Officer / Serial No.

Arresting Agency / Duty Phone Number.

Date

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Approving Supervisor Name **Clarke** ID# **14713**

Supervisor Comments (if applicable): _____