

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI  
AT KANSAS CITY**

<b>POLICE NO. :</b>	KC19085236
<b>PROSECUTOR NO. :</b>	095457615
<b>OCN:</b>	

<b>STATE OF MISSOURI,</b>	)	
	)	<b>PLAINTIFF,</b>
<b>vs.</b>	)	
	)	
<b>RONNIE S GRADY</b>	)	
<b>3436 Benton Blvd.</b>	)	<b>CASE NO. 2016-CR</b>
<b>Kansas City, MO 64128</b>	)	<b>DIVISION</b>
<b>DOB: 05/09/1977</b>	)	
<b>Race/Sex: B/M</b>	)	
	)	
	)	<b>DEFENDANT.</b>

**COMPLAINT**  
**WARRANT REQUESTED**

**Count I. Murder 2nd Degree (565.021-001Y19840903.0)**

The Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, upon information and belief, charges that the defendant, in violation of Section 565.021, RSMo, committed the **Class A Felony of Murder in the Second Degree**, punishable upon conviction under Section 558.011, RSMo, in that on or about November 6, 2019, in the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, the defendant knowingly or with the purpose of causing serious physical injury to Michael K. Jones, caused the death of Michael K. Jones by shooting him.

An individual convicted and sentenced for this offense shall not be eligible for parole until eighty-five percent of the sentence is served.

The range of punishment for a class A felony is imprisonment in the custody of the Missouri Department of Corrections for a term of years not less than ten (10) years and not to exceed thirty (30) years, or life imprisonment.

**Count II. Armed Criminal Action (571.015-001Y19755213.0)**

The Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, upon information and belief, charges that the defendant, in violation of Section 571.015, RSMo, committed the **Felony of Armed Criminal Action**, punishable upon conviction under Section 571.015.1, RSMo, in that on or about November 6, 2019, in the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, the defendant committed the felony of Murder in the Second

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Degree charged in Count One, all allegations of which are incorporated herein by reference, and the defendant committed the foregoing felony of Murder in the Second Degree by, with and through, the knowing use, assistance and aid of a deadly weapon.

The range of punishment for the offense of Armed Criminal Action in violation of section 571.015 RSMo. is imprisonment in the custody of the Missouri Department of Corrections for a term of years not less than three (3) years without eligibility for parole, probation, conditional release or suspended imposition or execution of sentence for a period of three (3) calendar years.

The facts that form the basis for this information and belief are contained in the statement(s) of facts filed contemporaneously herewith, made a part hereof, and submitted as a basis upon which this court may find the existence of probable cause.

Wherefore, the Prosecuting Attorney prays that an arrest warrant be issued as provided by law.

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3. [REDACTED]  
64106
4. Michael K Jones, Prosecuting Atty. Office, 415 E 12th St, Floor 11, Kansas City, MO  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
64106
6. DET Mary J Kincheloe, 1125 Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106
7. [REDACTED] MO  
64106
8. DET Scott P. Mullen, 1125 Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106
9. PO Drew D. Pittenger, 1125 Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106
10. DET Hobart D. Price, 1125 Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106
11. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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12. DET Daniel G. Thomas, 1125 Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106

**PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT FORM**

Date: 02-12-2020

CRN: 19-085236

I, Detective Mary Kincheloe #5063  
(Name and identify law enforcement officer, or person having information as probable cause.)

knowing that false statements on this form are punishable by law, state that the facts contained herein are true.

I have probable cause to believe that on 11-06-2019, at 53<sup>rd</sup> and Olive in  
(Date) (Address)

Kansas City, Jackson Missouri Grady, Ronnie Steven  
(County) (Name of Offender(s))

B/M 05-09-1977, 6'00", 200lbs, [REDACTED] committed one or more criminal offense(s).  
(Description of Identity)

Murder II  
Armed Criminal Action  
Felon in Possession

The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On 11/06/2019 at 1507 hours, Officers of the Kansas City, MO Police Department were dispatched to 5314 Olive Street, Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, on a report shooting. The calling party stated a man in a black truck shot another man who was standing at the truck window talking. The black truck was last seen driving westbound on 53rd Street.

Upon Detectives arrival, the victim, Michael Jones, was located in the street in front of 5248 Olive Street.

A search of surveillance video recovered from the area of 53rd Street and Park revealed a green Ford F-150 traveling westbound at 15:02:36 hours with the timestamp being 1 minute and 26 seconds slower than real time. In real time, the truck travels westbound on 53rd Street at 15:04:02 hours. The first 911 call is received at 15:05:03.

A TIP from Kansas City Crime Stoppers was received detailing the following: The suspect is Steve Grady B/M 40 years of age who lives at 3436 Benton Blvd. Steve Grady's grandmother lives at 5244 Olive Street, Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri. The tipster said the victim and the suspect were arguing over a female they were both involved in a relationship with. The tipster said the suspect is known to carry a .38 caliber revolver that may have been used. The tipster further advised Steve Grady's truck is dark green.

A computer check of "Steve Grady" responded back with a response of Ronnie Steven Grady B/M 05/09/1977 which revealed him to have operated a green, 2001 Ford F-150, VIN 1FTRX18L11NA65953 with a Missouri license plate of 0GC499. A computer check of the VIN revealed the 2001 Ford F-150 had an updated Missouri License plate of 2FDC36 and it responded back registered to Erika May of 3436 Benton Blvd, with a Transfer on Death to Ronnie S Grady.

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A witness identified as ■■■ the recent girlfriend of the victim, advised she and the victim broke up a few days before the homicide occurred because the victim repeatedly accused her of having an ongoing relationship with Grady with whom she refers to as "Steven" behind his back. ■■■ said when the victim is high on PCP he has been aggressive with her, however, nothing which involved police response. ■■■ initially said she had not seen the victim for a few days, but then acknowledged said she had seen the victim on the day of the homicide and he was high on PCP. ■■■ stated Grady owns a green Ford F-150 and she also advised Grady lives off of Benton Blvd. JM further advised Grady is known to carry a small handgun underneath the hood of his truck.

A witness identified as ■■■, advised he was at the scene to work on his vehicle with Grady. When he arrived, the victim and Grady were arguing about a female they were both involved with. ■■■ did not like the "vibes" he was feeling because Grady was angry and the victim would not get away from Grady. Grady kept calling the victim a "snake". ■■■ left the scene to complete a work order in the Brookside area at approximately 15:01:32 hours (real time) as captured on the surveillance camera in the area of 53rd Street and Park. ■■■ stated he did not witness the shooting, but knows Grady to carry a 38 revolver. ■■■ said after learning of the homicide of the victim, he was contacted by Grady and advised to tell police that Grady and ■■■ were with the victim at 53rd and Olive, but Grady and ■■■ had left the area at the same time on the day of the homicide and when they left, the victim was alive.

A witness identified as ■■■ advised she was outside her residence when she overheard the sounds of two males in a "heated" argument. She described them being at the corner of 53rd and Olive. She described a dark black pick-up truck parked facing south on the westside curb. She said the door to the driver's side was slightly open with the male suspect next to the outside of the open door. She said the victim was in the middle of the street, approximately two feet from one another. ■■■ said neither of the males were physically aggressive toward one another nor did she see them make physical contact with each other. She said they did not appear to be prepared for a physical altercation due to their lack of body language commonly associated with what is thought to occur. She said she believed the suspect and victim were merely in a verbal argument and was not prepared for gunshots. She said she heard five gunshots and saw the victim fall in the street. She described the suspect as fleeing westbound on 53rd "toward Paseo."

A witness identified as ■■■ advised he was outside moving furniture into his home when he heard the sounds of two males arguing. He said he observed a dark colored SUV with the driver's side door slightly ajar. He said he observed the suspect at the front of the truck fire a weapon at the victim who was standing at the corner of 53rd and Olive. ■■■ said the victim fell immediately to the ground and the suspect was observed to get in his vehicle, drive around the victim pausing first to look at him. ■■■ said the vehicle then drove westbound toward Paseo. ■■■ said he did not know at the time who the victim and suspect were. However, in learning the identity of the victim, ■■■ realized he knew him to live a few doors up from ■■■'s home. ■■■ said he talked to the victim most mornings and has sat on the porch and drank with the victim. ■■■ said the victim was not known to cause problems in the neighborhood, but instead described the victim as someone who kept to himself.

On 02-11-2020, at 1650 hours, Ronnie S. Grady was taken into custody. He was escorted to a 7th floor interview room where he was read aloud Miranda Warning at 1927 hours. Grady acknowledged he understood his rights. Grady was shown a photograph of the victim and described him as being his "buddy, Mike." When asked what happened to "Mike", Grady said all three of them, Grady, ■■■ and the victim had known each other for years,

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growing up in the neighborhood together. Grady said they were all three talking, while Grady worked on [redacted]s vehicle. Grady and [redacted] left in their own vehicles, but together to take back to the store the incorrect vehicle part. Grady said an hour later, he was called by [redacted] asking what happened in the neighborhood to which Grady he did not know because he had gone home. When presented with information previously obtained through other interviews that the victim was in the suspect’s face, Grady said, “No, not really,” Eventually, Grady said he and the victim were arguing over a female, [redacted] Grady said the victim was in a relationship with her and learned Grady was as well. Grady said the victim had confronted him with this same argument on multiple occasions and Grady could not convince him that he was no longer engaged in any contact with [redacted]. Grady did not want his wife to find out about [redacted] so he wanted the victim to stop talking about it. Grady described the victim as being under the influence of alcohol and PCP and was acting belligerent. Grady stated after [redacted] left the scene, he attempted to get into his pickup truck and leave. As he was doing so, the victim shut the truck door. Grady then stated he walked to the other side of the truck in order to put distance in between the two of them. Once Grady made it back to the driver side of his vehicle, the victim grabbed onto the door frame and would not let him leave. Grady stated when he observed the victim reach back behind him, he shot the victim in self-defense and then left the scene in his pickup truck. Grady acknowledged he asked [redacted] to report to police the two of them had left at the same time and the victim was alive because he wanted to forget this occurred. Grady said he feared what the victim was capable of because when he was high on PCP he was known to be aggressive in the past. Grady said he had a firearm was on his person and although he did not see the victim armed with a weapon, he felt he had to defend himself. Grady said the victim never physically contacted him. Grady acted out the point in which he shot the victim which was observed to be in very close proximity at the driver’s side door of the vehicle belonging to Grady.

An autopsy report of the victim revealed “there is no evidence of close range fire.” The autopsy report also revealed the victim to sustain multiple gunshot wounds with two of those being entrance wounds to his back.

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

The Court finds probable cause and directs the issuance of a warrant this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge

Circuit Court of \_\_\_\_\_ County, State of Missouri.