

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

LSPD Complaint: 25-4120

Date: June 2, 2025

I, Detective James Treacy, an investigator with the Lee's Summit, Missouri Department of Police, upon my oath, and under penalties of perjury, state as follows:

1. I have probable cause to believe that on 6/01/25, Thomas Tolbert at [REDACTED] Dr., Lee's Summit, Missouri, Jackson County Missouri, committed one or more criminal offenses.
2. The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On 6/1/25, at 2256 hours, Officer #1 and Officer #2 were dispatched to [REDACTED], Lee's Summit, Jackson County, Missouri in regard to a disturbance. The disturbance was in regard to a male who stole the reporting parties keys and had been kicked out of the residence. The male was described as a black male, wearing black clothing.

Upon arrival, Officer #1 made contact with a black male, wearing black clothing in the parking lot of the complex, near building [REDACTED]. Officer #1 attempted to obtain identification from the male, however he was refusing to provide any information. Officer #1 then attempted to detain the male and grabbed ahold of the male. The male broke away and began to flee on foot, northbound, through the parking lot, between two garage buildings. As Officer #1 pursued the male and rounded the two garage buildings, the male began to fire multiple gunshots at Officer #1, striking him 4 times. The location of the gunshots was the left leg, left arm, chest of his body armor and shoulder. There were 6 10mm shell casings found at the scene.

The black male was identified as Thomas Tolbert by his girlfriend and mother of his child, victim #1. The positive identification was from a still body camera image from Officer #1's camera and a Missouri driver's license photo. The victim was the reporting party on the disturbance call.

Officer #3 received a statement from victim #1 who stated Thomas had returned to the residence and made entry with the keys, she believed he had taken from her. An argument ensued and he ended up "choking" her and grabbing her by the neck and throwing her to the ground. Thomas then began to hit her while she was on the ground, before she was able to get their child, and flee downstairs to call the police.

A criminal history was completed for Thomas. On 4/30/21, he was found guilty of unlawful use of a weapon, class B felony, and sentenced to 4 years confinement.

Det. James Treacy #0708
Print Name (Detective)

/s/ James R. Treacy #0708
Signature (Detective)