

PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT FORM

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CIRCUIT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, MO

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I, Detective [REDACTED], Kansas City Missouri Police Department

(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 08-06-2025, at [REDACTED] in
(Date) (Address)

Kansas City, Jackson Missouri Dawkins, Arel
(County) (Name of Offender(s))

B/M, DOB [REDACTED], SS # [REDACTED] committed one or more criminal offense(s).
(Description of Identity)

The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On 08-06-2025, at 1951 hours, officers with the Kansas City Missouri Police Department were dispatched on a reported shooting at [REDACTED], Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri. Upon officer's arrival, they located the victim lying on the ground with multiple gunshot wounds. KCFD pronounced the victim deceased on scene.

Witnesses on scene provided information to officers that the suspect left eastbound in a black, Ford F-150, that was lifted and had a camper shell. Information was also provided to officers that the suspect was Arel Dawkins the [REDACTED] of the victim who was identified as [REDACTED]. A computer check of Arel Dawkins showed him to have an address in Blue Springs and a black Ford F-150 registered to him with a Missouri license plate [REDACTED].

Detectives and CSI personnel located the victim in the front yard of [REDACTED] with multiple defects to her back, legs, and head. A total of twenty-one spent .40 caliber shell casings were located. Ten of the shell casings were located on [REDACTED], and eleven shell casings were located in the grass and front yard of [REDACTED]. One empty handgun magazine was also located in the same front yard near the victim.

Detectives contacted [REDACTED] who advised she was inside her residence at [REDACTED], when she heard gunshots. She looked outside and observed a male she knows as Arel, shooting at his [REDACTED] who lives across the street. She saw Arel shoot, then reload his gun, and shoot more. She observed Arel's black truck parked at an angle in the street. He got into the truck and fled eastbound on [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] stated she knew the victim and speaks to her regularly. The victim recently broke up with Arel and she was pregnant with Arel's child. [REDACTED] was shown a photographic line-up and positively identified Arel Dawkins as the individual she saw shoot the victim.

Detectives contacted [REDACTED] who advised she was inside her residence, [REDACTED], when she heard approximately three gunshots. She approached her front window and heard another shot go off. She

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then looked out the window and observed a black male, with a short haircut, blue tee shirt and black jean shorts. She observed the male fire another four shots. [REDACTED] could not see who the male was shooting at but advised the male was in the middle of the street and was shooting to the south and east with a handgun. She observed the male flee the scene in a large dark colored vehicle.

Detective interviewed [REDACTED] who advised that at 1956 hours he received a phone call from Arel Dawkins. [REDACTED] knew Dawkins from high school and would routinely get his haircut from him. During the phone call Dawkins confessed to him that he had struck [REDACTED] with his vehicle before shooting her. [REDACTED] advised he recorded the conversation over a series of three videos.

Detectives contacted [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] who provided Nest video surveillance showing the incident. The 33 second video clip shows Dawkins Ford F-150 in the yard, running over [REDACTED]. Dawkins gets out of the driver's seat as the vehicle starts rolling backwards. Dawkins points a firearm at [REDACTED] as she is lying in the yard and shoots her several times at close range. Dawkins then turns and walks towards the street and once he is in the street, he turned towards [REDACTED] and began firing at her again. He removes the magazine from his gun and throws it on the ground while inserting another magazine. Dawkins then walks back towards [REDACTED] while firing his weapon again. Dawkins walks back to his truck and drives off.

Several 911 calls were received from family of Dawkins claiming he called them and confessed to killing [REDACTED] and was threatening to commit suicide.

Kansas City Missouri Police Department Dispatch contacted T-Mobile with Arel Dawkins' phone number due to Dawkins' suicidal statements. T-Mobile provided pings on the cell phone number based off exigency. Information was disseminated to the Missouri Highway Patrol with the license plate and description of Dawkins' vehicle. Dawkins was located in Springfield, Missouri and subsequently taken into custody without incident.

T-Mobile provided data for Dawkins cell phone's location that showed his phone move into the area of the crime scene just prior to the homicide then the phone leaves the area headed south on 49 Highway.

Detectives responded to the Green County Jail to speak with Dawkins who declined to provide a statement.

Printed Name Detective [REDACTED] Signature /s/ Detective [REDACTED]

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

Judge

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