

State of Minnesota
County of Olmsted

District Court
3rd Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 0550084513
Court File No. 55-CR-26-2356

State of Minnesota,
Plaintiff,

COMPLAINT
Order of Detention

vs.

CLIFTON DEJOHN HUBBERT DOB: 03/10/1983

1915 Viola Rd NE
Rochester, MN 55906

Defendant.

The Complainant submits this complaint to the Court and states that there is probable cause to believe Defendant committed the following offense(s):

COUNT I

Charge: Murder - 3rd Degree - Sell/Give/Distribute Controlled Substance - Schedules 1 & 2

Minnesota Statute: 609.195(b), with reference to: 609.195(b)

Maximum Sentence: 25 years or \$40,000 fine, or both

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 12/24/2025

Control #(ICR#): 25065775

Charge Description: On or about December 24, 2025, in the County of Olmsted, Minnesota, Clifton Dejohn Hubbert did, without intent to cause death, proximately cause the death of Victim by, directly or indirectly, unlawfully selling or delivering or distributing fentanyl and cocaine, a schedule I or II controlled substance.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

The Complainant states that the following facts establish probable cause:

Your complainant is a licensed peace officer employed by the Rochester Police Department. In that capacity your Complainant has reviewed the police reports relating to Clifton Dejohn Hubbert, the above-named defendant, and the allegations contained therein. Based upon that information, your complainant believes the following to be true and correct.

On December 24, 2025, the Rochester Police Department conducted a welfare check at a residence in NE Rochester, Olmsted County, MN. During that welfare check, an adult male (hereinafter "Victim") was located deceased in his apartment. Officers also found controlled substances and controlled substance paraphernalia in the residence. The medical examiner's office performed an autopsy and determined that Victim's cause of death was acute fentanyl toxicity. Victim's postmortem toxicology results included fentanyl and a metabolite of cocaine.

Law enforcement reviewed Victim's phone and observed a significant amount of communication between Victim and CLIFTON DEJOHN HUBBERT (DOB 3/10/1983). Over the course of the year leading up to Victim's death, Victim and Hubbert discussed Victim purchasing controlled substances from Hubbert dozens of times. There were also 101 total payments between Victim and Hubbert, totaling over \$15,000, that coincide with typical dollar amounts for the controlled substances they discussed. Law enforcement noted that Victim did not appear to have any communication with other contacts in his phone about acquiring controlled substances, indicating that Hubbert was his sole source for drugs.

On February 3, 2026, a search warrant was executed at Hubbert's residence. During that search, officers found both cocaine and fentanyl either in Hubbert's residence and/or on his person. While on scene, Hubbert provided a statement to Detective Tindal. Hubbert admitted that he would typically obtain drugs from another individual, take some for himself, then provide the rest of the drugs to Victim.

In sum, law enforcement's investigation revealed that Victim only communicated with Hubbert to acquire controlled substances. The type of controlled substances that were in Victim's toxicology results and caused his death are of the same type that Hubbert had in his possession and admitted to providing to Victim as a "middle man." Hubbert providing the controlled substances to Victim, who thereafter ingested the controlled substances, proximately caused Victim's death.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: YOU MUST APPEAR FOR EVERY COURT HEARING REGARDING THIS CASE. FAILURE TO APPEAR FOR COURT IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE AND MAY RESULT IN ADDITIONAL CRIMINAL CHARGES BEING IMPOSED AND PUNISHED AS PROVIDED IN MINNESOTA STATUTES SECTION 609.49.

SIGNATURES AND APPROVALS

Complainant requests that Defendant, subject to bail or conditions of release, be:
(1) arrested or that other lawful steps be taken to obtain Defendant's appearance in court; or
(2) detained, if already in custody, pending further proceedings; and that said Defendant otherwise be dealt with according to law.

Complainant declares under penalty of perjury that everything stated in this document is true and correct. Minn. Stat. § 358.116; Minn. R. Crim. P. 2.01, subds. 1, 2.

Complainant

Brooke Grochowski
Police Officer
101 4th Street SE
Rochester, MN 55904-3761
Badge: 2473

Electronically Signed:
04/02/2026 02:46 PM
Olmsted County, Minnesota

Being authorized to prosecute the offenses charged, I approve this complaint.

Prosecuting Attorney

A. Michael DeBolt
Assistant County Attorney
151 4th Street SE
Government Center - 3rd Floor
Rochester, MN 55904
(507) 328-7600

Electronically Signed:
04/02/2026 02:39 PM

FINDING OF PROBABLE CAUSE

From the above sworn facts, and any supporting affidavits or supplemental sworn testimony, I, the Issuing Officer, have determined that probable cause exists to support, subject to bail or conditions of release where applicable, Defendant's arrest or other lawful steps be taken to obtain Defendant's appearance in court, or Defendant's detention, if already in custody, pending further proceedings. Defendant is therefore charged with the above-stated offense(s).

SUMMONS

THEREFORE YOU, THE DEFENDANT, ARE SUMMONED to appear as directed in the Notice of Hearing before the above-named court to answer this complaint.

IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR in response to this SUMMONS, a WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST shall be issued.

WARRANT

To the Sheriff of the above-named county; or other person authorized to execute this warrant: I order, in the name of the State of Minnesota, that the Defendant be apprehended and arrested without delay and brought promptly before the court (if in session), and if not, before a Judge or Judicial Officer of such court without unnecessary delay, and in any event not later than 36 hours after the arrest or as soon as such Judge or Judicial Officer is available to be dealt with according to law.

Execute in MN Only

Execute Nationwide

Execute in Border States

ORDER OF DETENTION

Since the Defendant is already in custody, I order, subject to bail or conditions of release, that the Defendant continue to be detained pending further proceedings.

Bail: \$
Conditions of Release:

This complaint, duly subscribed and sworn to or signed under penalty of perjury, is issued by the undersigned Judicial Officer as of the following date: April 2, 2026.

Judicial Officer

Kathy M. Wallace

Electronically Signed: 04/02/2026 03:22 PM

Sworn testimony has been given before the Judicial Officer by the following witnesses:

**COUNTY OF OLMSTED
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

State of Minnesota

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Defendant

*LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER RETURN OF SERVICE
I hereby Certify and Return that I have served a copy of this Order of
Detention upon the Defendant herein named.*

Signature of Authorized Service Agent:

DEFENDANT FACT SHEET

Name: Clifton Dejohn Hubbert
DOB: 03/10/1983
Address: 1915 Viola Rd NE
Rochester, MN 55906

Alias Names/DOB:

SID: MN02413517

Height:

Weight: 175lbs.

Eye Color: Brown

Hair Color: Black

Gender: MALE

Race: Black

Fingerprints Required per Statute: Yes

Fingerprint match to Criminal History Record: Yes

Driver's License #: K981136971218 (MN)

Alcohol Concentration:

STATUTE AND OFFENSE GRID

Cnt Nbr	Statute Type	Offense Date(s)	Statute Nbrs and Descriptions	Offense Level	MOC	GOC	Controlling Agencies	Case Numbers
1	Charge	12/24/2025	609.195(b) Murder - 3rd Degree - Sell/Give/Distribute Controlled Substance - Schedules 1 & 2	Felony			MN0550100	25065775
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