



SPRINGFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT



Date: 06/09/2020 Case #: 20-18321

CIRCUIT CLERK
GREENE COUNTY

I, M. FARMER 1055, a law enforcement officer, knowing that false statements on this form are punishable by law, state as follows:

1. I have probable cause to believe that JONTYLER F ROUTH, White/Male, DOB 01/02/1992, committed one or more criminal offenses.
2. The following crime(s) happened on 2020/06/09 09:45 - 2020/06/09 11:00 at 321 E CHESTNUT EXPY Bld: POLICE HEADQUARTERS, in Springfield, Greene County, Missouri.
3. The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On 06-09-20, at approximately 0935 hours, Springfield Police Officer M.P. and Sergeant H.A. responded to the west parking lot of Police Headquarters at 321 E. Chestnut Expwy, in Greene County, Missouri to contact a subject that had been seen circling the parking lot numerous times in a white Isuzu Trooper (Missouri license JG0A8B). The suspect was later identified as Jon Tyler F. Routh. Routh had also been captured on surveillance cameras urinating on the front doors of the Police Headquarters' lobby during the time he circled the parking lot.

Officer M.P. walked onto the parking lot of Police Headquarters to contact Routh, who was pulling onto the parking lot from Chestnut Expwy. Video surveillance from Police Headquarters showed Officer M.P. motioning for Routh to contact him. Routh immediately accelerated and drove in Officer M.P.'s direction. Routh struck Officer M.P. with his vehicle. Officer M.P. struck the hood of the vehicle and was then drug underneath it before the vehicle struck a barrier head-on in front of the front doors of Police Headquarters.

When Officer M.P. was struck by Routh's vehicle, Sgt. H.A. fired her duty weapon at Routh in an attempt to stop the vehicle and stop further threat from Routh. Routh was struck by gunfire and was later transported to a local hospital for his injuries.

Officer J.C., who was also on scene, pulled Routh from the vehicle once it came to a stop. Routh was taken into custody at this time. While being taken into custody, Routh made the statement to the effect "you guys knew you had this coming".

Officer M.P. sustained serious physical injuries and was transported to a local hospital.

Witnesses to the incident reported observing and hearing Officer M.P. tell Routh to stop the vehicle prior to being struck. Witnesses also heard the engine of Routh's vehicle accelerate after striking Officer M.P.

Post-Miranda, Routh stated he had been back in Springfield for approximately one (1) week after spending time in Austin, Texas, Seattle, Washington, Portland, Oregon and Colorado Springs,

Colorado. Routh said he was currently homeless and living out of his vehicle.

When asked what had happened on 06-09-20, Routh stated "the whole campaign is to scare the shit out of me". Routh said he was being mentally harassed by people that the FBI or Police Department were using to target him.

Routh stated he thought if he drove around the "Cop Shop", the police would think that he (Routh) "meant business" and leave him alone. Routh admitted to driving through the parking lot several times and driving around Police Headquarters for approximately forty-five (45) minutes to an hour. Routh said as he drove through the parking lot, he would yell things out the window to let the police know that they are [expletive] him.

Routh stated he had no intention of harming anyone or anything. Routh said he pulled through the parking lot the last time and observed a police officer come out of Police Headquarters. Routh stated he heard the officer yell "stop" and then observed the officer "go for his gun". Routh claimed he blacked out at that point and the next thing he remembered was he was sitting inside his vehicle. Routh realized his vehicle was wrecked and a police officer was running at him. Routh stated he surrendered at that time and was shot. Routh said he was not shot by the officer that was struck by the vehicle but by another officer.

When asked what his purpose was to drive around Police Headquarters, Routh stated he did not have a purpose. Routh said he drove around Police Headquarters to let officers know that they were harassing him.

Routh stated he had text messaged a few friends earlier in the day of 06-09-20 about things that had been happening with him currently. Routh said he then started driving around the Police Station because he knew they were involved with getting people to send him "the same targeted, repeated phrases or same things that were crucial private information that I was sending via text messages or messenger real-time".

A search warrant was obtained for Routh's vehicle and cell phone. An analysis of Routh's phone showed a text message that he had sent to two (2) subjects on 06-09-20 at 0725 hours that stated, "Apparently I can't get a job unless I loose Lilith I'm going to run a cop over I think".

I am requesting that an arrest warrant be issued because (complete at least one of the following):

1. I have reasonable grounds to believe the defendant will not appear upon a summons based on the facts stated above and the following information:

Not Applicable

2. I have reasonable grounds to believe the defendant poses a danger to a crime victim, the community, or any other person based on the facts stated above and the following information:

Routh poses a danger to the community by committing an unprovoked vehicular assault on a Police Officer. If Routh was released from custody, I have probable cause to believe he would further injure or kill a citizen or Police Officer.

Not Applicable

The facts contained above are true to the best of my information and belief.

/s/ M. Farmer

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Corporal

Signature

DSN

Title