

DEFENDANT: Aaron L. Loucks
DOB: 04/17/1993 AGE: 32
ADDRESS:
700 Riverside Avenue #G
Burlington, VT 05401

ARRAIGNMENT DATE: October 30, 2002
SA CASE ID.: 25-15994
ASSIGNED (D)SA: Eliza Novick-Smith ERN:
POLICE DEPT.: Burlington Police Department
INVESTIGATING OFFICER: Ofcr. Eric Goldmann
VICTIM ADVOCATE: Karen Burns
INCIDENT NO.: 25BU026506

STATE OF VERMONT

SUPERIOR COURT
CHITTENDEN UNIT

STATE OF VERMONT

v.

AARON L. LOUCKS

CRIMINAL DIVISION

DOCKET NO. **25-CR-10048**

INFORMATION BY STATE'S ATTORNEY

By the authority of the State of Vermont, the State's Attorney for Chittenden County, upon the oath of office charges:

COUNT 1 OF 2

CHARGE CODE: 13V1026AA3&1455 | CODE ID: 2390 | OFFENSE CLASS: M
CHARGE NAME: AGGRAVATED DISORDERLY CONDUCT – ABUSIVE OBSCENE LANGUAGE –
HATE CRIME

Aaron L. Loucks, in the County of Chittenden, at Burlington on or about September 21, 2025, engaged in a course of conduct directed at a specific person with the intent to cause the person inconvenience or annoyance, or to disturb the person's peace, quiet, or right of privacy and in a public place used abusive or obscene language and whose conduct was motivated in whole or in part by the victim's actual or perceived protected category, TO WIT: Yelling the N-word and other slurs at Victoria Hammond, who is Black, in violation of 13 V.S.A. §§ 1026a(a)(3) and 1455.

Penalty: Imprisoned not more than two years or fined not more than \$2,000 or both

COUNT 2 OF 2

CHARGE CODE: 13V1026AA4 | CODE ID: 171 | OFFENSE CLASS: M
CHARGE NAME: AGGRAVATED DISORDERLY CONDUCT- THREAT OF BODILY INJURY OR
VIOLENCE

Aaron L. Loucks, in the County of Chittenden, at Burlington on or about September 21, 2025, engaged in a course of conduct directed as a specific person with the intent to disturb the persons peace, quiet, or right of privacy and threatened to commit a felony crime of violence as defined in section 11a of this title, TO WIT: Threatening to stab Officer Gurung in the heart while holding a knife at a 2nd story window, in violation of 13 V.S.A. § 1026a(a)(4).

Penalty: Imprisoned not more than 180 days or fined not more than \$2,000.00 or both.

Against the peace and dignity of the State.

DATED: September 22, 2025

/s/Alexandra Sturges

State's Attorney (Deputy)

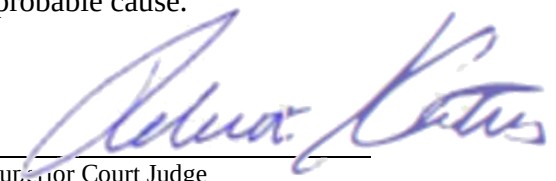
Referral(s) if applicable: -

☐ Diversion ☐ Tamarack ☒ No Referral – Reason: none at this time

This information has been presented to me and I have found probable cause.

DATED:

9/22/2025



Superior Court Judge

Incident #: 25BU026506

**BURLINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT
AFFIDAVIT OF PROBABLE CAUSE**

STATE OF VERMONT

**SUPERIOR COURT
CHITTENDEN UNIT**

**Criminal Division
Docket No. Cncr**

State of Vermont

V.

Aaron Loucks (DOB 04/17/1993), Defendant

Now comes Ofc. Eric Goldmann, affiant, being duly sworn and on oath deposes and says he has probable cause to believe that Aaron Loucks DOB: 04/17/1993 has committed the crimes of Aggravated Assault in violation of Title 13 V.S.A. 1024, Simple Assault in violation of Title 13 V.S.A. 1023, Disorderly Conduct in violation of Title 13 V.S.A. 1026, and Hate-Motivated Crime in violation of Title 13 V.S.A. 1024.

1. On 09/21/25 at approximately 07:34 hours, officers responded to 700 Riverside Ave. Apt. G in Burlington for a report of a shirtless male with a chest tattoo yelling aggressively out of the window of the residence. Specifically, the male reportedly stated he was going to shoot people and was also shouting racial slurs at children in the area. Of note, I was familiar with this residence, having responded there 2 days prior for an incident in which the resident, determined to be Aaron Loucks DOB: 4/17/93, was outside the residence screaming at nobody in particular, throwing items, and tearing apart a neighbor's garden.
2. Officer Gurung and Corporal Montalvo were initially dispatched to the scene and made contact with Loucks, who was shouting from his second floor window. An excerpt from Officer Gurung's supplemental affidavit states:
 1. *On 09/21/2025 at approximately 0734 hours, Corporal Montalvo and I were dispatched to 700 Riverside Avenue apartment G for a report of a report of a male who was yelling and threatening to shoot people from his residence window. The caller was identified as Olivia L. Bayles (DOB: 05/16/1991) and the male was later identified as Aaron L. Loucks (DOB: 04/17/1993) who lives at 700 Riverside Avenue apartment G in Burlington, Vermont.*
 2. *Upon arrival, I observed a group of people (approximately 5) outside in the parking lot. A male who was identified as Leo P. Verge (DOB: 09/30/1982) came*

up to me, who was on the phone speaking with the First Call for Chittenden County, associated with the Howard Center. Leo advised the same male (Loucks) from last Friday (9-19-25), was screaming and threatening the people from his window at people who were outside. Leo pointed toward Louck's apartment and advised that today, he was leaning against the window screen, yelling and gesturing as if he was holding a shoulder mounted rifle and shooting at the people outside. Leo expressed, due to this, he was fearful for the safety of his child as they played outside. As I began speaking with Bayles, I heard Loucks yelling, "I am death and I will kill you now," from approximately 50 feet away.

3. Corporal Montalvo and I spoke with Loucks, who was talking with us through the second-floor window. As I approached I observed Loucks holding a knife with an orange handle and a black blade. At this point I was approximately 8 feet from the building. Loucks pointed the knife blade at us from the window and said, "Do you want to fucking die?" He yelled at us while holding the knife, saying, "Go fuck yourself, die, I command you to die, I am the commander. Do it now." At this time, I feared that Loucks could cause me serious bodily injury as I was afraid that he would come downstairs and attack officers and other people who were outside with the knife he was armed with. Loucks kept on screaming and yelling, "I want all of you to die." Loucks stated something to the effect of "Do you want a knife to your heart" which caused me to fear more for my safety and others. At this time, Corporal Montalvo and I backed 10 - 15 feet away from his window because of his comments, which he made toward us and we took a position behind a vehicle for additional safety.
4. At this time, Sergeant Byrne came on scene and tasked me with speaking with the people who were on the scene, who were potential victims and witnesses.
5. I spoke with Bayles, who provided me with a sworn statement, which was captured on my AXON body-worn camera. Bayles stated this morning, she left to get coffee, and when she came back, she was in the parking lot and heard Loucks yelling from his window, saying something to the effect of "I am the bringer of death. Deaths will come on everyone." She stated Loucks saw a kid who was standing in a window of the building that is on the north side, and Loucks started yelling at him, "I will kill you little boy"" and started saying "N words" to him. It should be noted that I know "N words" to mean an extremely derogatory racial slur towards black people. It should also be noted that the child Loucks was reported directing his comments at is black. Bayles stated Loucks was gesturing, as if holding a shoulder mounted rifle and pointing it at her and her boyfriend. She felt threatened and was scared for her safety, as she is also six months pregnant, so she went back to her apartment due to her fearing that Loucks would cause her harm. She explained that when Loucks made those comments, it was extremely concerning because children play outside in that parking lot. Bayle advised there was no confusion that his actions were pointed toward her and her boyfriend.

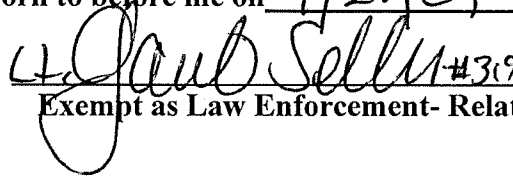
6. *I then spoke with a male who was identified as Adam R. Dean (DOB: 07/09/1985), who also provided me with a sworn statement, which was captured on my AXON body-worn camera. Dean stated he was with Bayles in the parking lot when he heard Loucks stated the same something to the effect of "get out of here, you demons, I am the bringer of death." Dean said "it scared the crap out of me." Dean advised Loucks called him the "N word" and said that he was going to kill him. Dean stated Loucks said I will kill you guys and started pretending to shoot them by gesturing, pointing a gun at them, and pretending to throw a grenade at them. Dean stated that because Loucks extreme behavior and actions, he was in fear for his safety and went back to his apartment. Dean stated that he was concerned that Loucks would come outside and attack them because of his behavior and added that yesterday, he was outside pretending to sword fight by himself.*
7. *I then spoke with a female who was identified as Sarah Verge (DOB: 03/20/1988), who also provided me with a sworn statement captured on my AXON body-worn camera. She stated that when she was inside her apartment and she heard Loucks yelling and screaming and told Leo to call 911. She explained that when Victoria Hammond (DOB: 07/10/1989), who is a black woman, was outside, Loucks was calling her "Nigger, bitch, and something about slavery"", and heard him threatening to kill everyone that was outside. Sarah advised yesterday that Loucks was outside sword fighting by himself. Sarah advised that she feared for her safety along with her children, who play outside.*
8. I responded to 700 Riverside Ave. Apt. G to assist Officer Gurung and Corporal Montalvo after Officer Gurung aired on the radio that Loucks had threatened him with a knife. Upon arrival, I stood by Officer Gurung while he obtained the above sworn statement from the initial caller, Olivia Bayles DOB: 05/16/91. I overheard Bayles report that after threatening her and her boyfriend, Loucks then noticed a child in the window of 51 Bright St. Apt. B, which sits approximately 100 feet away from 700 Riverside Ave. Apt. G on the opposite side of a parking lot. Bayles stated that Loucks began shouting from his window across the parking lot at the child, stating that he was going to kill the child while also shouting the N word. I know the "N word" to refer to the word "nigger," a severe racial slur directed at black people.
9. Bayles directed me to the resident at 51 Bright St. Apt. B and the mother of the aforementioned child, identified verbally as Victoria Hammond DOB: 07/10/89. Hammond provided a sworn statement, advising that she was sleeping in her residence and was awoken by the sound of Loucks screaming "All you N's are going to die. I'm going to kill you." Hammond indicated that Loucks was vocalizing the word "nigger" during his statements. Hammond indicated that her 4 year-old son, E.H. DOB: 08/24/21, who presents as black, was with her in an upstairs bedroom at the time. Hammond stated she did not believe E.H. was in Loucks' line of sight.

10. Hammond went to her window, where she observed Bayles and 2 others in the area of the parking lot while Loucks was shouting at them from his window. Hammond subsequently went outside to check on her neighbors in the parking lot. Upon stepping out of her residence, Hammond, who is black, heard Loucks yelling "You fucking nigger. You slave." Hammond believed these statements were directed at her, describing Loucks voicing these statement at the same time that Hammond entered his field of view. Hammond stated that Loucks continued using consistent derogatory rhetoric during the time in which Hammond within Loucks' field of view. Hammond later described the derogatory rhetoric seemingly subsiding once Hammond walked out of Loucks' field of view, thereby believing the language was directed at her during that time. Hammond noted that she intentionally moved out of Loucks' field of view out of concern that he could have a weapon. When I later asked Hammond if there was anything differentiating Louck's hateful speech while Hammond was outside from the hateful speech she overheard prior to going outside, Hammond stated "I don't think so." Hammond noted that nobody else outside at the time was black.
11. It should be noted that during the duration of my time on scene, Loucks remained inside 700 Riverside Ave. Apt. G and had no further contact with officers or others in the area.
12. Based on the aforementioned facts and circumstances, I believe probable cause exists to charge Loucks with Aggravated Assault for threatening to stab Officer Gurung in the heart with the knife that Loucks was holding at the time. Loucks' threats and concurrent possession of a deadly weapon caused Officer Gurung to fear for his safety and prompted Officer Gurung and Corporal Montalvo to move away from Loucks' residence due to concern that he would come outside and follow through on his threats.
13. I believe probable cause exists to charge Loucks with Simple Assault by menace for gesturing at Bayles and her boyfriend as if he were pointing an imaginary firearm at them while contemporaneously making statements indicating his intent to kill them. Loucks' actions caused Bayles to fear for her safety.
14. I believe probable cause exists to charge Loucks with Disorderly Conduct and a hate-motivated crime for extensively shouting threatening statements and racial slurs from his window, drawing the attention of those in surrounding units and causing concern among those witnessing the behavior. Additionally, some of Loucks' racial slurs appeared to be directed at the residents of 51 Bright St. Apt. B, who are black.
15. Aaron Loucks' criminal history in Vermont includes 1 failure to appear, 1 felony charge with 0 convictions, 2 misdemeanor charges with 0 convictions, and 1 assaultive crime charge with no convictions. In 2020, Loucks was charged with Aggravated Disorderly Conduct, Unlawful Mischief, and Hate Motivated Crime; however, this case was dismissed. Additionally, Loucks' federal criminal history

shows that he is currently on Federal Probation for 60 months following a 2021 arrest by the ATF for Prohibited person in possession of a weapon.

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(Affiant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me on 9/21/25, at Burlington

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Exempt as Law Enforcement- Related Employee

**BURLINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT
SUPPLEMENTAL AFFIDAVIT**

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