

State of Minnesota  
County of Dakota

District Court  
1st Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. CA-2023-02604  
Court File No. 19HA-CR-23-2501

**State of Minnesota,**

**COMPLAINT**

Plaintiff,

Summons

vs.

**MITCHELL JAMES OMODT DOB: 10/16/1995**

4527 Hiawatha Ave  
Minneapolis, MN 55406

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: Theft (Aggregating) (Over \$5,000)**

Minnesota Statute: 609.52.2(a)(1), with reference to: 609.52.3(2)

Maximum Sentence: 0-10 Years and/or \$6,000.00 - \$20,000.00

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 08/12/2023 to 09/12/2023

Control #(ICR#): 23006422

Charge Description: On or about August 12, 2023 - September 12, 2023, in the County of Dakota, Minnesota, MITCHELL JAMES OMODT, did intentionally and without claim of right take, use, transfer, conceal or retain possession of movable property of another without the other's consent and with intent to deprive the owner permanently of possession of the property, and the aggregate value of the property or services stolen exceeds \$5,000.

**STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE**

On September 22, 2023, the Burnsville Police Department was contacted by a corporate investigator with Home Depot about a series of retail thefts in the metro area. The investigator stated that MITCHELL JAMES OMODT (DOB: 10/16/1995) had attempted to steal tools from various Home Depot locations on 23 separate occasions. OMODT would select high value items, proceed to the self-checkout, pretend to swipe a credit card, or swipe a canceled credit card, and then leave the store without paying. OMODT's scheme was successful on seven occasions:

- On August 12, 2023, OMODT stole \$1,186.37 worth of merchandise from the Waite Park Home Depot.
- On August 12, 2023, OMODT stole \$811.94 worth of merchandise from the Monticello Home Depot.
- On August 31, 2023, OMODT stole \$823.41 worth of merchandise from the Inver Grove Heights Home Depot.
- On September 5, 2023, OMODT stole \$1,164.88 worth of merchandise from the Baxter Home Depot.
- On September 8, 2023, OMODT stole \$1,042.58 worth of merchandise from the Apple Valley Home Depot.
- On September 10, 2023, OMODT stole \$1,027.28 worth of merchandise from the Richfield Home Depot.
- On September 12, 2023, OMODT stole \$272.93 worth of merchandise from the Inver Grove Heights Home Depot.

The aggregate loss to Home Depot was \$6,329.34 with three of the thefts occurring in Dakota County. The corporate investigator also provided surveillance footage of each of the thefts.

On September 25, 2023, a detective spoke with OMODT by telephone. OMODT admitted to stealing from various Home Depot stores to support his drug addiction. OMODT estimated that he stole from Home Depot on 10-15 occasions. OMODT alluded to selling or giving the stolen merchandise to other people because "everyone needs them."

**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**

Adam Keeler  
Sergeant  
7100 147th St W  
Apple Valley, MN 55124  
Badge: 4907

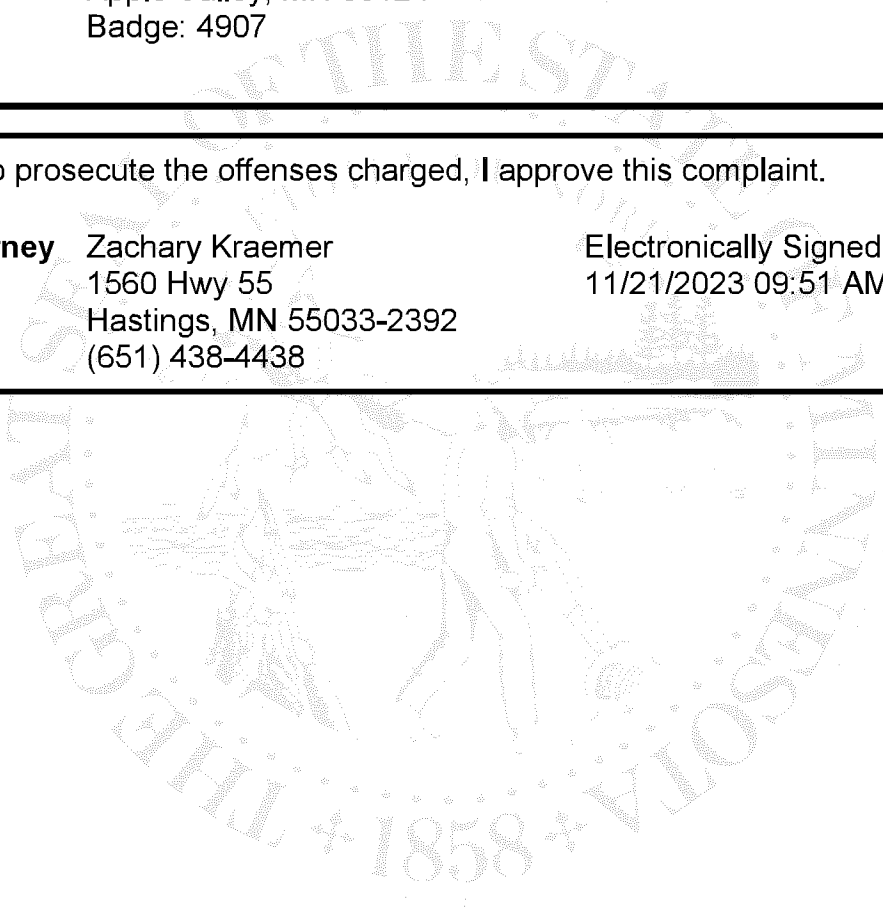
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Dakota County, Minnesota

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

**Prosecuting Attorney**

Zachary Kraemer  
1560 Hwy 55  
Hastings, MN 55033-2392  
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Electronically Signed:  
11/21/2023 09:51 AM



**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.

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**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: November 21, 2023.

Judicial Officer

Ann M Offermann

Electronically Signed: 11/21/2023 01:48 PM

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

**COUNTY OF DAKOTA  
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

**State of Minnesota**

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**Mitchell James Omodt**

Defendant

**LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER RETURN OF SERVICE**

*I hereby Certify and Return that I have served a copy of this  
Summons upon the Defendant herein named.*

Signature of Authorized Service Agent: