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STATE OF MINNESOTA  
COUNTY OF OLMSTED

DISTRICT COURT  
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
COURT FILE NO.: 55-CR-23-7464  
PROSECUTOR FILE NO.: CA-08674

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State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

v.

**Complaint- Order for Detention**

Mathew Richard Adamson, DOB 12/21/1978 (44)  
554 22nd St NE  
Rochester, MN 55906

Defendant.

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The Complainant, being duly sworn, makes complaint to the above-named Court and states that there is probable cause to believe that the Defendant committed the following offense(s):

COUNT I

Charge: Prostitution - Hires/offers/agree to hire; individual believes under age 14; penetration or contact

Minnesota Statute: 609.324 subd. 1(a) (3), with reference to: 609.324 subd. 1(a)

Maximum Sentence: 20 years in prison and/or \$40,000 fine

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 11/1/2023 to 11/2/2023

Control # (ICR#): 23054128

Charge Description: On or about 11/1/2023 to 11/2/2023, within the County of Olmsted, the defendant did hire or offer or agree to hire an individual who the actor reasonably believes to be under the age of 14 years to engage in sexual penetration or sexual contact.

COUNT II

Charge: Solicit Child or Believe to be a Child Through Electronic Communication to Engage in Sexual Conduct

Minnesota Statute: 609.352 subd. 2a(1), with reference to: 609.352 subd. 4

Maximum Sentence: 5 years and/or \$10,000 fine

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 11/1/2023 to 11/2/2023

Control # (ICR#): 23054128

Charge Description: On or about 11/1/2023 to 11/2/2023, within the County of Olmsted, the defendant used the Internet, a computer, computer program, computer network, computer system, an electronic communications system, or a telecommunications, wire, or radio communications system, or other electronic device capable of electronic data storage or transmission to solicit a child or someone the defendant reasonably believes is a child to engage in sexual conduct, with the intent to arouse the sexual desire of any person.

COUNT III

Charge: Engage in Electronic Communication Relating or Describing Sexual Conduct with Child.  
Minnesota Statute: 609.352 subd. 2a(2), with reference to: 609.352 subd. 4  
Maximum Sentence: 5 years and/or \$10,000 fine  
Offense Level: Felony

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## STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On November 1, 2023, the Rochester Police Department and the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension (BCA) were conducting an investigation into individuals who utilize the internet to sexually exploit children. On November 1, 2023, an undercover detective from the Rochester Police Department ("UC Detective"), who was using the online persona of a 13 year old girl, received a chat message from an individual, later identified as MATHEW RICHARD ADAMSON, DOB/122178, the defendant herein.

On that day, the UC Detective and the defendant engaged in an online conversation. The conversation began with the defendant requesting the age and gender of the UC Detective. The UC Detective immediately responded with information clearly indicating that they were a 13 year old female. The defendant continued to communicate with the UC Detective and stated that he would purchase alcohol, specifically White Claw, in exchange for various sex acts including oral sex, masturbation, and fondling her breasts. The online conversation between the defendant and the UC Detective continued into November 2, 2023. The stated age of the UC Detective (13 years old) was provided multiple times during the online communication.

While the defendant engaged in online communication with the UC Detective, the defendant initiated a second online conversation with an undercover Special Agent with the MN BCA. At the time, the Special Agent was using an online persona of a 14 year old girl. The defendant sent a picture of his face to the Special Agent as well as a photograph of his work boots. The background in the photograph appears to be an Olmsted County courtroom. The defendant asked the Special Agent if she would ever be comfortable meeting in person. The online conversation with the Special Agent occurred at the same time the UC Detective was communicating with the defendant.

During the conversation with the UC Detective, the defendant requested the UC Detective, who he knew or believed to be 13 years old, to meet him in person at a specified location in the City of Rochester, County of Olmsted. On November 2, 2023, at approximately 6:30 p.m., law enforcement surveilled the defendant leaving his employment from the Olmsted County Work Release Center and observed the defendant drive to the agreed upon meeting location. At the location, the defendant made contact with a decoy set up by law enforcement. The defendant called out to the decoy using the UC Detective's online persona name which was provided to the defendant during their online communication. Law enforcement officers moved in and placed the defendant under arrest.

NOTICE: You are hereby notified that failure to appear for court when required to do so is a criminal offense in the State of Minnesota, pursuant to Minn. Stat. sec. 609.49. If you are charged with or have been convicted of a felony offense, an intentional failure to appear for a court appearance is a felony offense, which is punishable by one-half of the statutory maximum term of imprisonment or fine, for the underlying crime for which you fail to appear, and is to be no less than one (1) year and one (1) day in prison, and/or a \$1,500 fine, pursuant to Minn. Stat. sec. 609.49, Subd. 1(a). If you are charged with a gross misdemeanor or misdemeanor offense, an intentional failure to appear for trial is a misdemeanor offense and may be punished by imprisonment of up to ninety (90) days in jail and/or a \$1,000 fine, pursuant to Minn. Stat. sec. 609.49, Subd. 1.

Defendant Name: Mathew Richard Adamson

Complainant requests that Defendant, subject to bail or conditions of release, be:  
Arrested or other lawful steps be taken to obtain Defendant's appearance in court; or

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. Sec. 358.116; Minn. R. Crim. P. 2.01, subds. 1, 2.

COMPLAINANT'S NAME:

Sgt. Ben Schlag  
Badge # 2388  
Rochester Police Department  
101 4th Street SE  
Rochester, MN 55904

COMPLAINANT'S SIGNATURE:

  
SCHLAG RPD #2388

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

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY'S SIGNATURE:

Date: 11/3/2023

/s/ Megan A. Burroughs

Megan A. Burroughs, 350990  
Chief Deputy County Attorney  
201 2nd Avenue NE, Suite 1  
Austin, MN 55912  
(507) 437-9428

**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 to 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 ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT, ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to appear on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ before the above-named court at 151 4th Street S.E. Rochester, MN 55904 to answer this complaint.

**WARRANT**

To the Sheriff of the above-named county; or other person authorized to execute this warrant: I hereby order, in the name of the State of Minnesota, that the above-named Defendant be apprehended and arrested without delay and brought promptly before the above-named 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.

**X ORDER OF DETENTION**

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

**Bail:** \$100,000.00

**Conditions of Release:** Sign waiver of extradition; Do not leave State of MN w/out agent approval; Make all court appearances; No use of mood-altering substances (including alcohol); Random testing; Report to PT supervision on a schedule they deem appropriate; Baseline Test; Maintain contact with attorney; Remain law abiding; Notify court of address change; No possession of weapons; No threatening or assaultive behavior; No use of internet and no possession of internet enabled devices; No contact with minor children.

This complaint, duly subscribed and sworn to, is issued by the undersigned Judicial Officer this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

**JUDICIAL OFFICER:**

**SIGNATURE:**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_



Kritzer, Jeffrey

**TITLE:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

COUNTY OF STATE OF MINNESOTA  State of Minnesota Plaintiff,  vs.  Mathew Richard Adamson Defendant.	Clerk's Signature or File Stamp:  <b>RETURN OF SERVICE</b> <i>I hereby Certify and Return that I have served a copy of this Summons upon the Defendant(s) herein-named.</i> Signature of Authorized Service Agent:
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**DEFENDANT FACT SHEET**

**Other DOBs:**

**Race/Ethnicity:** None Selected

**CID:**

**Alias Information:**

**Fingerprinted:** Unknown

**Handgun Permit:**

**Location of Violation:**

**Driver's License #:**

**Accident Type:**

**License Plate #:**

**BAC Status:**

**BAC Level:**



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1Charge	11/1/2023	609.324.1(a)(3)	Felony Z1187 NA	MN0550100	23054128
	to 11/2/2023	Prostitution - Hires/offers/agree to hire; individual believes under age 14; penetration or contact			
Penalty	11/1/2023	609.324.1(a)	Felony Z1187 NA	MN0550100	23054128
	to 11/2/2023	Prostitution- Engage/Hire/Agree to Hire Under 14 Yr Old - Penalty			
2Charge	11/1/2023	609.352.2a(1)	Felony Z1C01 NA	MN0550100	23054128
	to 11/2/2023	Solicit Child or Believe to be a Child Through Electronic Communication to Engage in Sexual Conduct			
Penalty	11/1/2023	609.352.4	Felony Z1C01 NA	MN0550100	23054128
	to 11/2/2023	Solicitation - Solicit Child in Person or via Computer or Internet - Sexual Conduct - Felony Penalty			
3Charge	11/1/2023	609.352.2a(2)	Felony Z1C01 NA	MN0550100	23054128
	to 11/2/2023	Engage in Electronic Communication Relating or Describing Sexual Conduct with Child.			
Penalty	11/1/2023	609.352.4	Felony Z1C01 NA	MN0550100	23054128
	to 11/2/2023	Solicitation - Solicit Child in Person or via Computer or Internet - Sexual Conduct - Felony Penalty			

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