

SUMMONS

STATE OF INDIANA)	IN THE ST. JOSEPH SUPERIOR COURT
))SS:	
COUNTY OF ST. JOSEPH)	CAUSE NUMBER. 71
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STATE OF INDIANA)	INFORMATION FOR:
)	<u>COUNT I:</u>
VS)	OPERATING A VEHICLE WHILE
)	INTOXICATED ENDANGERING A
DONALD BLOCK)	PERSON
1005 W. Battell Street)	A CLASS A MISDEMEANOR
Mishawaka, IN 46613)	
DOB: 1955)	

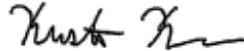
COUNT I

KRISTEN KOCSIS, upon information and belief, affirms under penalty of perjury that:

On or about December 20, 2023 in St. Joseph County, State of Indiana, Donald Block did operate a vehicle while intoxicated in such a manner that a person was endangered.

All of which is contrary to the form of the statutes in such cases made and provided by I.C. 9-30-5-2(a) & (b) , and against the peace and dignity of the State of Indiana.

I affirm under the penalties for perjury that the foregoing representations are true.



KRISTEN KOCSIS
DEPUTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

DATE: December 21, 2023

WITNESSES:

Zoren Baker South Bend Police Department
Tracy Hyde
Alexis K Smith
All witnesses listed in police, medical and laboratory reports

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VS)	SUPPLEMENTAL AFFIDAVIT IN
)	SUPPORT OF PROBABLE CAUSE
DONALD BLOCK)	
DOB: 5/28/1955)	

Kristen Kocsis, being duly sworn upon her oath, says that:

I am a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney with the 60th Judicial Circuit, St. Joseph County, State of Indiana, and make this affidavit after reviewing verified South Bend Police Department reports.

According to the reports, on or about December 20, 2023, Officer Baker of the South Bend Police Department was dispatched to the area of Greenlawn Avenue and Wayne Street in South Bend, St. Joseph County, Indiana, in regards to an accident in which a vehicle had driven off of the roadway. A school bus driver had observed the accident and contacted dispatch. Upon arrival, Officer Baker observed a vehicle on the east side of the intersection that was partially on residential property. The vehicle had the front left tire on the grass, the front right tire on the driveway, and both rear tires on the roadway.

Upon approaching the vehicle, Officer Baker saw that the vehicle had a single occupant. Officer Baker observed a male sitting in the driver's seat, who was later identified as DONALD BLOCK. Officer Baker observed that BLOCK had his eyes closed and was slowly muttering to himself. Officer Baker observed that the vehicle was still in drive with the engine running. Officer Baker attempted to make contact with BLOCK multiple times but could not get a clear response from BLOCK. Because Officer Baker was concerned about the health of BLOCK, he requested medics to be dispatched.

Officer Baker instructed BLOCK to put the vehicle into park and to turn the vehicle off, multiple times. BLOCK eventually took his foot off of the brake and the vehicle started moving backward into the roadway. Officer Baker observed that BLOCK had poor manual dexterity as he reached for the area of the key and struggled with turning the vehicle off. BLOCK was eventually able to turn the vehicle off and put it in park, which disengaged the door lock.

Officer Baker opened the driver's door and attempted to speak with BLOCK. BLOCK began to reach for the key in the ignition again. Officer Baker removed the keys from the ignition and placed them on the hood of the vehicle. BLOCK became very emotional, began crying, and apologized for what had happened. Officer Baker observed that BLOCK had bloodshot eyes, slurred speech, and the odor of an alcoholic beverage. Officer Baker observed a bottle, that was later found to be a Svedka vodka bottle, in

the left interior pocket of BLOCK's jacket. BLOCK took long pauses between answering questions and interrupted Officer Baker to continue to apologize about what had occurred. When asked where he lived, BLOCK did not answer, but continued to apologize.

Medics arrived to medically evaluate BLOCK. BLOCK asked the medics multiple times whether he had hurt anyone, to which he was told no multiple times. BLOCK did not have any complaints of pain. Officer Baker observed that there did not appear to be any damage to the vehicle.

BLOCK struggled while exiting the vehicle. Once he was out of the vehicle, BLOCK held on to the door and then held on to the side of the vehicle. Officer Baker observed that BLOCK was unsteady while standing and needed to be told multiple times to go to the gurney. Officer Baker observed that BLOCK struggled with divided attention tasks, remained fixated on only certain questions, and repetitively spoke on those same topics.

Officer Baker believed that BLOCK was intoxicated. However, because BLOCK was unable to stand without support and out of a concern for his safety, Officer Baker determined to not attempt the Standardized Field Sobriety Tests. Medics transported BLOCK to the hospital, where Officer Baker advised BLOCK of Indiana Implied Consent. BLOCK consented to a chemical test. BLOCK's blood was drawn at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center and will be sent to the Indiana State Department of Toxicology for blood analysis. Officers decided to leave BLOCK in the care of hospital staff because they were informed that further tests were going to be completed on BLOCK.

I affirm, under the pains and penalties for perjury, that the foregoing representations are true.



Kristen Kocsis
Deputy Prosecuting Attorney