



NEWS RELEASE
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MAN CHARGED WITH MURDER

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Greene County Prosecuting Attorney Dan Patterson announces that Jonathan Gavin Greer, age 30, of Springfield, Missouri, has been charged today with murder in the second degree and armed criminal action. These charges are from events which occurred on Thursday, July 25, 2013, at 3341 E. Sunset. Mr. Greer is charged with shooting and killing his girlfriend Angela D. Holbrook.

Mr. Patterson cautions that the charges contained in the felony complaint are merely allegations and that the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty in court.

Copies of the felony complaint and probable statement filed in this case are attached to this release. The Missouri Supreme Court ethics rules prohibit comments on the facts or investigation of this case beyond those contained in the felony complaint and probable cause statement that are part of the public record.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant Prosecuting Attorney T. Myers. It is being investigated by the Springfield Police Department and Detective Kevin Shipley is the lead investigator assigned to the case.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF GREENE COUNTY, MISSOURI

Associate Division _____

STATE OF MISSOURI,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JONATHAN GAVIN GREER ,

Defendant.

State of Missouri

County of Greene

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Case No. 1331-CR04267 WJ

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FELONY COMPLAINT

COUNT I

(Missouri Charge Code: 10031002.0)

The Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Greene, State of Missouri, charges that the defendant, in violation of Section 565.021, RSMo, committed the class A felony of murder in the second degree, punishable upon conviction under Section 558.011, RSMo, in that on or about July 25, 2013, in the County of Greene, State of Missouri, the defendant knowingly or with the purpose of causing serious physical injury to Angela Holbrook caused the death of Angela Holbrook by shooting her.

COUNT II

(Missouri Charge Code: 3101099.)

The Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Greene, State of Missouri, charges that the defendant, in violation of Section 571.015, RSMo, committed the felony of armed criminal action, punishable upon conviction under Section 571.015.1, RSMo, in that on or about July 25, 2013, in the County of Greene, State of Missouri, the defendant committed the felony of murder in the second degree charged in Count I, all allegations of which are incorporated herein by reference, and the defendant committed the foregoing felony of murder in the second degree by, with and through, the knowing use, assistance and aid of a deadly weapon.

The facts that form the basis for this information and belief are contained in the attached probable cause statement concerning this matter, which statement is made a part hereof and is submitted herewith as a basis upon which this court may find the existence of probable cause for the issuance of the warrant.

WHEREFORE, the Prosecuting Attorney prays that an arrest warrant be issued as provided by law.

DAN PATTERSON
Prosecuting Attorney of the County of
Greene, State of Missouri, by



Electronically signed;

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T. Todd Myers, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Greene, State of Missouri, being duly sworn, upon oath says that the facts stated in the above information are true, according to his or her best information, knowledge and belief.



Electronically signed;

T. Todd Myers
Assistant Prosecuting Attorney



SPRINGFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT



FELONY PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

Date: 07-25-13 Case #: 13-30731

I, Kevin Shipley, knowing that false statements on this form are punishable by law state as follows:

1. I have probable cause to believe that Jonathan G. Greer, black/male, DOB 06-30-83, committed one or more criminal offenses.
2. The following crime(s) happened on 07-25-2013 @ 0539 hours at 3341 E. Sunset, apt. B in Springfield, Greene County, Missouri.
3. The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On Thursday, 07-25-13 at approximately 0539 hours SPD Patrol Officers K. Grundy and A. Gomez were dispatched to the area of Ingram Mill and Sunset in reference to a 911 caller, who reported that a male named "John B" had shot his girlfriend and owned a red 1984 Chevy Caprice.

While searching the area Officer Grundy contacted a resident jogging in the area, who indicated a red, 1984, Chevy Caprice was routinely parked outside the duplex located at 3341 E Sunset #B.

Officers Grundy and Gomez then entered the residence at 3341 E Sunset #B through the unsecured back sliding glass door and while searching the residence they located a deceased white female with blood on her face, lying on the southwest bedroom floor.

Upon emergency communications tracing the 911 call to a cell phone located at 1421 E. Seminole, SPD Patrol Officers Mike Evans and Wade McElfresh responded to the residence where they made contact with the 911 caller, Charles A. Terrell, who reported he was at the apartment when "John B" shot his girlfriend.

Officer Evans then transported Charles Terrell to SPD Headquarters where I conducted an interview with him and he indicated that he had been at 3341 E. Sunset, apt. B where he witnessed a physical disturbance between "John B" and his girlfriend "Angie" and she struck "John B" in the face.

Charles indicated that "John B" and "Angie" then went into a back bedroom and a short time later he heard a gunshot, at which time "John B" came out of the bedroom holding a gun in his hand and said something similar to, "I shot Angie."

Through SPD resources, I learned that "John B's" name was actually John Greer. I then obtained a photograph of Jonathan G. Greer, dob 06-30-83 and upon showing that photograph to Charles, he identified the person in the photograph as being the "John B" he had referred to during the interview. Through SPD resources we also confirmed Greer's listed address as 3341 E. Sunset, apt. B.

At approximately 0900 hours SPD Detective Chris Barb was contacted by Greene County Sheriff's Deputy Sgt. Jon Poulson, who indicated Greer had arrived at the front lobby of the Greene County Jail where he was claiming to have information on a shooting that had occurred on the south side of Springfield.

Detective Barb then advised Sgt. Poulson that Greer was the suspect in a homicide investigation and requested he take him into custody.

Upon Greer being transported to SPD Headquarters, I conducted an audio-video taped, post Miranda interview with him, at which time he confirmed "Angie" and him were drinking alcohol with several friends at their residence. Greer claimed they argue frequently and "Angie" would routinely become physical violent towards him, however he denied they were involved in an argument on this date.

During the interview Greer indicated that he owned a handgun, which he claimed he had obtained for protection after being assaulted by some acquaintances. He denied shooting "Angie" and then requested to speak with an attorney and the interview was ended.

While I was interviewing Greer, several additional witnesses were transported by SPD patrol officers from the residence at 1421 E. Seminole to SPD Headquarters where they were interviewed by fellow SPD Homicide Detectives Chris Barb and Neal McAmis.

During an interview conducted by Detective Barb with witness Jamil K. Hanson, he indicated he and his girlfriend were at 3341 E. Sunset hanging out with an acquaintance he knew as "John B", along with "John B's" girlfriend "Angie" and a male named "Charles".

Jamil indicated that while at the residence "John B" and "Angie" were arguing and he heard a "pow" or "pop" from inside the residence, at which time the only persons he believed were left inside of the residence at that time were "John B" and "Angie".

Jamil indicated that after hearing the noise, "John B" exited the back door of the residence holding a small, black revolver in his hand. "John B" asked him to come inside the residence and then told him that he had messed up.

Jamil indicated that upon entering the residence, he observed Angie lying on the floor in one of the bedrooms, at which time "John B" indicated he had shot "Angie".

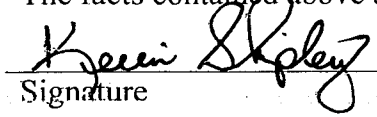
Jamil claimed he then exited the residence and departed in his vehicle with his girlfriend, "Charles", and a female friend of "Charles" and then called 911.

During an interview conducted by Detective McAmis with Jamil's girlfriend, Abigail K. Million, she confirmed they were at "John B" and his girlfriend Angie Holbrook's residence where they partied and drank alcohol. Through SPD resources members of the SPD Homicide Response Team were able to later positively identify the victim as Angela D. Holbrook, who appeared to have suffered from a single gunshot wound to the face.

Abigal indicated that after being at the residence for awhile "John B" and Angie went into the bedroom, at which time Jamil, "Charles", his female friend "Shelby" and her were preparing to depart when she heard a "boom" and "Charles" claimed it sounded like a gunshot.

Abigal indicated that "John B" then exited the bedroom "freaking out" and stated, "I shot her!" and shortly afterwards they departed, leaving "John B" and Angie at their residence.

The facts contained above are true.

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Signature	DSN	Title