

**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, MERCER COUNTY, OHIO  
CRIMINAL DIVISION**

STATE OF OHIO,

**CASE NO.** 25-CRM-126

Plaintiff

VS.

DANIELLE N. RUTAN  
12 Haunstein Court  
Troy, OH 45373  
DOB: 3/23/1991  
SSN: XXX-XX-5290

**COMPLAINT**

Defendant.

**Count One**                      **Aggravated Possession of Drugs - F5**  
§2925.11(A), 2925.11(C)(1)(a)

**Date of Offense**              On or about September 8, 2025

Complainant being duly sworn states that Danielle N. Rutan, in Mercer County, Ohio, on or about September 8, 2025, unlawfully

did knowingly obtain, possess, or use a controlled substance or a controlled substance analog and the drug involved in the violation is a compound, mixture, preparation, or substance included in Schedule I or II, to wit: Methamphetamine, a Schedule II drug.

*The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.*

**Count Two**                      **Illegal Use or Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - M4**  
§2925.14(C)(1), 2925.14(F)(1)

**Date of Offense**              On or about September 8, 2025

Complainant being duly sworn states that Danielle N. Rutan, in Mercer County, Ohio, on or about September 8, 2025, unlawfully

did knowingly use, or possess with purpose to use, drug paraphernalia.

*The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.*

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**Count Three**

**Misdemeanor Theft - M1**

§2913.02(A)(3), 2913.02(B)(2)


**Date of Offense**

On or about September 8, 2025

Complainant being duly sworn states that Danielle N. Rutan, in Mercer County, Ohio, on or about September 8, 2025, unlawfully

did with purpose to deprive the owner, Victim # 1, of property or services, to wit: \$669.09 worth of store merchandise, knowingly obtain or exert control over either the property or services by deception.

*The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.*



Matthew P Kremer  
Celina Police Department

Sworn before me by Matthew P Kremer, Celina Police Department, on this day of September 9, 2025.



JUDGE/Clerk/Notary Public

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**AFFIDAVIT ON COMPLAINT**  
**(O.R.C. 2935.09)**

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STATE OF OHIO, MERCER COUNTY, SS:

I, Matthew P Kremer, do hereby state that I am employed at the Celina Police Department. The following did occur:

On September 8, 2025, at approximately 8:51 P.M, Celina Police Officers were dispatched to 1950 Havemann Road, Celina, Mercer County, Ohio for a theft offense in progress. While responding, Officers were told that Loss Prevention personnel from Victim # 1 was watching one of the suspects and described him as a male wearing gray and said that he was loading stolen merchandise into a Honda Civic, in the parking lot.

When we arrived, we saw a male matching the description walking away from a red Honda Civic. Sgt. Balthis made contact with the male and detained him. The male was identified as Andrew Veen, date of birth, 03/02/1974. Officers read him his Miranda Rights.

Officers were then made aware that there was a second suspect, a female that was still inside, concealing items into a plastic tote storage container, preparing to steal them. Loss Prevention said that this same female and Veen committed a theft offense the same way, on September 3, 2025.

When questioned, Veen admitted to having a plastic tote with stolen merchandise in the vehicle He said that the other female was named Danielle and that her last name started with an "R."

Ptl. Nelson was walking around the Civic and saw a pipe in the center console, along with a blow torch. Both items frequently used when smoking methamphetamine. A request was made for a K-9 dog to respond. Deputy Heintz from the Mercer County Sheriff's Office arrived with his dog. He had his dog perform a free-air sniff around the vehicle. Afterwards, Heintz said that the dog alerted to the odor of a narcotic.

Officers searched the vehicle and located the pipe, a small black scale from the driver seat. It appeared to have methamphetamine residue. Also in the center console, was a glass pipe connected by tape to a glass bong. It contained methamphetamine residue also. All the items were collected.

Victim # 1's loss prevention said that the female had left her cart carrying the plastic tote inside the store. Officers located her and made contact. She was identified as Danielle Rutan, date of birth, 03/23/1991. Rutan was placed under arrest also.

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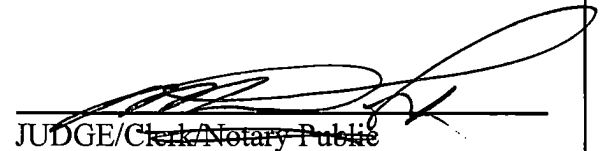
The total amount of stolen items was \$669.09 worth of store merchandise on this date. The store was still determining the theft amount from September 3, 2025.

Both Veen and Rutan were incarcerated in the Mercer County Detention facility.



Matthew P Kremer  
Celina Police Department

Sworn to before me by Matthew P Kremer, Celina Police Department on September 9, 2025.



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