

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

STATE OF OHIO,

CASE NO. 24-CRM-117

Plaintiff

VS.

SAMUEL PAUL
641 North Sugar Street
Celina, OH 45822
DOB: 7/23/1975
SSN: XXX-XX-6687

COMPLAINT

Defendant.

Count One **Felonious Assault - F2**
 §2903.11(A)(2), 2903.11(D)(1)(a)
Date of Offense On or about November 3, 2024

Complainant being duly sworn states that Samuel J. Paul, in Mercer County, Ohio, on or about November 3, 2024, unlawfully

did knowingly cause or attempt to cause physical harm to Victim # 1 by means of a deadly weapon or dangerous ordnance, to wit: Bryco Arms Jennings T380 handgun, serial number 1430324.

Firearm Specification - 3 year - §2941.145(A)

Samuel J. Paul had a firearm on or about his person or under his control while committing the offense and displayed the firearm, brandished the firearm, indicated that he possessed the firearm, or used it to facilitate the offense

Specification for Forfeiture of a Weapon - §2941.1417(A)

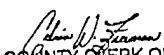
Samuel J. Paul is the owner and/or possessor of a Bryco Arms Jennings T380, serial number 1430324, which was contraband and/or property derived from or through the commission or facilitation of the offense, and/or was an instrumentality the offender used or intended to use in the commission or facilitation of the offense

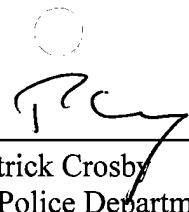
The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

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Sgt. Patrick Crosby
Celina Police Department

Sworn before me by Sgt. Patrick Crosby , on this 4th day of
November , 2024.




JUDGE/Clerk/Notary Public

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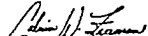
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AFFIDAVIT ON COMPLAINT
(O.R.C. 2935.09)

STATE OF OHIO, MERCER COUNTY, SS:

I, Sgt. Patrick Crosby do hereby state that I am employed at the Celina Police Department. The following did occur:

On or about November 3, 2024, at approximately 1:30 AM, officers from the Celina Police Department were dispatched to 641 North Sugar Street, Celina, Mercer County, Ohio, on the report of a general disturbance at the residence. Upon arrival, officers observed a male lying in the grass in front of the residence. The male was lying on his side, and he was covered with blood. Officers observed a bullet wound to his lower back on the right side. The male was identified as Victim #1. A second male, identified as Tyler Huffman, was standing near Victim #1. Huffman told Officer Dave Powell that Samuel Paul, Jr. had shot Victim #1. Huffman further stated that he and Victim #1 had gone to the residence to pick up children. Huffman explained that Victim #1 was carrying a child and heading to the front door of the residence when Paul leaned/maneuvered around Huffman to shoot Victim #1 in the back. Victim #1 was taken by squad to Mercer Health Hospital, then transported to Miami Valley for further treatment.

While Officer Powell was speaking with Huffman, Officer Bruns detained Paul, who had been standing on the front porch. Officer Bruns read Paul his *Miranda* rights, and I questioned Paul as to what happened. Paul admitted to shooting Victim #1. Paul told me that he was trying to get Victim #1 out of the house because of an ongoing dispute between Victim #1 and Victim #1's wife, who is Paul's step-daughter. Both Victim #1 and his wife reside at the residence with Paul. Paul admitted that he had told Victim #1 on November 1, 2024, that if Victim #1 came back to the residence, Paul was going to shoot him. Celina Police officers had responded to this same residence on November 1, 2024 for a domestic disturbance.

Officers cleared the residence for the safety of the officers and anyone else that may be in the residence. While doing so, we observed a stainless .380 semi-automatic handgun on the banister for the stairs that led to the second story of the home, just inside the front door.

While on scene, we also observed blood on steps leading down from the front porch, as well as the area surrounding where Victim #1 was lying. A spent shell casing was observed on the front porch.

We applied for and obtained a search warrant for the residence and a search warrant to swab Paul's hands for gunshot residue. While searching the home, we recovered and


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retrieved a Bryco Arms Jennings T380 handgun, serial number 1430324. It was located on a banister, to the second floor, just inside the front door. The firearm was found loaded with five rounds of .380 ammunition, in the magazine and one round in the chamber. A spent .380 shell casing was located on the North end of the front porch.

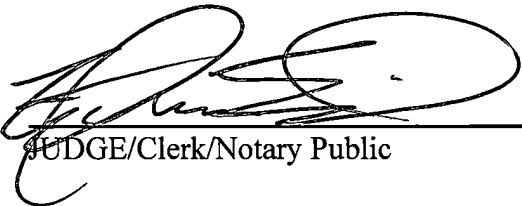
After being advised of his *Miranda* rights, Paul made admissions that he did shoot Victim # 1, with the .380 handgun that we recovered. Paul also had a small cut on his left hand which he said came from the slide on the handgun.

Samuel Paul was arrested and incarcerated in the Mercer County Detention Facility.



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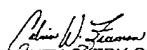
Sworn to before me by Sgt. Patrick Crosby, Celina Police Department on November 4, 2024.



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