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**Honorable Michelle A.**  
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**STATE OF WISCONSIN                      CIRCUIT COURT                      MILWAUKEE COUNTY**

**STATE OF WISCONSIN**  
**Plaintiff,**

**DA Case No.: 2025ML031275**  
**Court Case No.:**

vs.

**CRIMINAL COMPLAINT**

PETERS, DAMEON DEMETR  
2947 NORTH 54TH STREET  
MILWAUKEE, WI 53210  
DOB: 11/11/1970

**Defendant(s).**

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THE BELOW NAMED COMPLAINANT BEING DULY SWORN, ON INFORMATION AND BELIEF STATES THAT:

**Count 1: HOMICIDE BY INTOXICATED USE OF A VEHICLE WITH A PROHIBITED ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION**

The above-named defendant on or about Saturday, November 22, 2025, at or near the intersection of 56th Street and Forest Home Ave, in the City of Greenfield, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, did cause the death of George Kayser, by the operation of a vehicle while having a prohibited alcohol concentration of more than 0.08% by weight in the blood, contrary to sec. 940.09(1)(b), 939.50(3)(d) Wis. Stats.

Upon conviction for this offense, **a Class D Felony**, the defendant may be fined not more than One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000), or **imprisoned not more than twenty five (25) years**, or both.

And furthermore, invoking the provisions of Wisconsin Statute 343.31(3)(c), upon conviction, the department shall revoke the defendant's operating privilege for five (5) years.

And furthermore, invoking the provisions of Wisconsin Statute 940.09(1c)(a), upon conviction, the court shall impose a bifurcated sentence under s. 973.01 and the term of confinement in prison portion of the bifurcated sentence shall be at least 5 years except that a court may impose a term of confinement that is less than 5 years if the court finds a compelling reason and places its reason on the record.

**Probable Cause:**

Complainant is a City of Greenfield Police Detective and bases this complaint upon the reports and statements of fellow City of Greenfield officers, as well as his own involvement in this investigation. Those reports and statements, and that investigation revealed the following:

**First Responding Officers**

On November 22, 2025, at 6:48 p.m., City of Greenfield Police Officer MarKeise Warren was dispatched to a "check welfare: call in the area of the intersection of 56<sup>th</sup> Street and Forest Home Avenue, City of Greenfield, County of Milwaukee, State of Wisconsin. The initial information was that a male was lying on the ground and not moving. Update information was that the male was longer breathing and that bystanders had begun CPR.

Upon arrival, Officer Warren observed approximately ten bystanders surrounding a male, later determined to be above mentioned victim George Kayser, lying in the middle of the roadway near 56<sup>th</sup> Street and Forest Home. Officer Warren approached and observed significant injuries on the left side of the victim's face, including significant swelling and an abrasion. The victim was bleeding profusely and there was a trail of blood onto the roadway. Officer Warren took over CPR and heard a bystander state that the victim may have struck by a Milwaukee County Transit bust, which could be seen parked further down the road. Further life saving measure by Fire Department and medical staff were not successful and the victim died of his injuries.

### **Autopsy**

Complaint is further based upon the statement of Dr. Jessica Lelinski, an Assistant Medical Examiner with the Milwaukee County Medical Examiner's Office, who is trained and experienced in the field of forensic pathology and who conducted an autopsy on the above name victim. Dr. Lelinski determined that the victim had suffered multiple blunt force injuries to the head, torso, and extremities, to include abrasion on the face, laceration of the left ear, left-sided scalp soft tissue hemorrhage, contusions on the left chest, fractures of multiple aspects of all left sided ribs, and contusions and abrasions on the left upper extremity. Dr. Lelinski determined that the cause of death was multiple blunt force injuries consistent with a being struck by a motor vehicle.

### **The Defendant**

Complaint is further based upon the statement of Greenfield Police Officer Dylan Braatz who spoke to the above mentioned Defendant on scene. The Defendant stated that he is a Milwaukee County Transit Bus Driver who was driving MCTS bus #5709. The Defendant stated that he was driving from the area of W. Forest Home Avenue and W. Coldspring Road. The Defendant stated that he turned onto Forest Home Avenue and proceeded to drive eastbound. The Defendant stated that as he was driving near the intersection of 56<sup>th</sup> and W. Forest Home Avenue, City of Greenfield, County of Milwaukee, State of Wisconsin, he saw a person walk into the intersection. The Defendant stated that he attempted to steer the bus to avoid the person, when he heard a thud. The Defendant stated that he didn't believe he struck anyone until he saw a person laying down in his rearview mirror, at which point he stopped the bus and called MCTS for help.

Complaint is further based upon the statement of City of Greenfield Police Officer Brandon Gibas who went with the Defendant to St. Luke's Hospital to conduct a consensual blood draw, which Officer Gibas observed to happen at 7:59 pm. Officer Gibas obtained the Defendant's blood sample, which was turned over to Detectives and transported to the Wisconsin State Crime Lab for toxicology results.

### **Toxicology**

Complaint is further based upon the statement of Olivia Crabtree, a Toxicologist at the Wisconsin State Crime Lab who tested the blood sample from the above described Defendant. Analyst Crabtree determined that the Defendant's blood had a BAC of 0.236 g/100ml.

### **MCTS Bus Video**

Complaint is further based upon the statement of Complainant who reviewed a copy of the bus video from MCTS Bus #5709 driven by the Defendant. That video began with the Defendant beginning his shift at 3:00 p.m. and continues to the time of the fatal crash at 6:47 p.m. During the video, Complainant notes that the Defendant is driving, and that while driving, sometimes appears to be squinting, driving with one eye closed, or attempting to focus on driving. At on point, at 5:00 p.m., the

bus appears to strike the curb while driving, while on other times the Defendant appears to be driving over the white line that separates the bike lane from the traffic lane.

At approximately 6:47 pm, as the bus approaches the intersection of 56th Street and Forest Home Ave, in the City of Greenfield, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, the video captures the victim walking. The victim is walking from 56<sup>th</sup> Street and crossing Forest Home Avenue. During this time period, the internal bus video shows that the Defendant is blinking, slowly closing his eyes, squinting, then blinking, eyes barely look open, squinting, eyes slowly appear to close, squinting to the point that his eyes almost look closed. The Defendant appears to do a very slight turn of the wheel away from the direction of the victim, at which point the video shows that the side of the bus hits the victim, who falls to the ground.

After the sound of the impact and as the Defendant was stopping the bus, the Defendant appears more alert and says "Goddam," "what was that" "what the fuck," and "was that a person".

\*\*\*\*End of Complaint\*\*\*\*

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Criminal Complaint prepared by Grant I. Huebner.  
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Subscribed and sworn to before me on 01/14/26

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Complainant