

PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

Date: 08/02/2012

I, Lt. Melissa Dunn, a Deputy with the Texas County Sheriff's Department, upon my oath, and under penalties of perjury, state as follows:

1. I have probable cause to believe that William R Wood committed one or more criminal offenses.
2. The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On 08-01-12 we responded to a report of a white male, laying in his living room floor with a wound to the head. Upon arrival EMS was on scene and preparing the victim for transport. The male was in great distress and unresponsive. He was flown from the scene to a Springfield Hospital. We were notified by the hospital that the injury was a gunshot wound to the head.

During the day William R Wood became a person of interest. His vehicle was located a few miles from the scene and about 1826 hours he was ~~taken~~ into custody. He was read his rights then by Sgt. Travis Davis. The suspect was transported to the Texas County Jail where he was fed and allowed to bathe.

I met with William Wood in our interview room where I read him his rights from our standard Notification and Waiver of Rights Form. He signed stating he understood his rights. He also signed the bottom portion of the form waiving his rights.

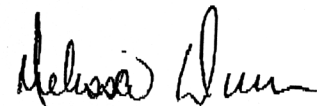
During the interview I asked William to tell me what happened at their house. William told me that when he came home [REDACTED] was still there. He was mad about that and got a gun and pointed it at [REDACTED] and was telling him he needed to leave. William states that [REDACTED] grabbed the end of the gun and it "went off", shooting [REDACTED] in the head. William states that he was really messed up on drugs and didnt mean to hurt [REDACTED]. I asked William if he could tell me where the gun was. William gave me directions to a wooded location near where his vehicle was recovered. I went to that location and recovered a .22 cal. rifle. There were 2 live rounds in the gun.

William R Wood is guilty of;

Assault 1st RSMo 565.050 (firearm)
Armed Criminal Action RSMo 571.015

Lt. Melissa Dunn

Print Name



Signature