

CIRCUIT COURT
STATE OF WISCONSIN CRIMINAL DIVISION MILWAUKEE COUNTY

STATE OF WISCONSIN	Plaintiff	CRIMINAL COMPLAINT
	vs.	
Cody, Jessica R 727 N 21st St Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53233 (D.O.B. : August 21, 1988)		Complaining Witness: Detective Yvette Washington DA Case Number: 08XF6493 Circuit Court Case Number:
	Defendant(s)	

THE ABOVE NAMED COMPLAINING WITNESS BEING DULY SWORN SAYS THAT THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT(S) IN THE COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE, STATE OF WISCONSIN.

COUNT 01: RECKLESSLY ENDANGERING SAFETY, FIRST DEGREE, WHILE ARMED

On September 13, 2008, at 1225 N Water St, City of Milwaukee, while armed with a dangerous weapon, did recklessly endanger the safety of Katlynn Dallmann, under circumstances which showed utter disregard for human life, contrary to Wisconsin Statutes Section 941.30(1) and 939.63.

COUNT 02: RECKLESSLY ENDANGERING SAFETY, FIRST DEGREE, WHILE ARMED

On September 13, 2008, at 1225 N Water St, City of Milwaukee, while armed with a dangerous weapon, did recklessly endanger the safety of Janel Higgs, under circumstances which showed utter disregard for human life, contrary to Wisconsin Statutes Section 941.30(1) and 939.63.

AS TO COUNT 01:

Upon conviction of this charge, a Class F Felony, the maximum possible penalty is a fine of not more than \$25,000 or imprisonment for not more than 12 years and 6 months or both.

USE OF A DANGEROUS WEAPON (MAXIMUM TERM OF UNDERLYING FELONY MORE THAN 5 YEARS OR LIFE TERM)

Further as to Count 1, that the defendant committed this crime while possessing a dangerous weapon, contrary to Wisconsin Statutes section 939.63(1). If this is found to be the case the maximum term of imprisonment for this crime may be increased by not more than 5 years.

AS TO COUNT 02:

Upon conviction of this charge, a Class F Felony, the maximum possible penalty is a fine of not more than \$25,000 or imprisonment for not more than 12 years and 6 months or both.

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Further as to Count 2, that the defendant committed this crime while possessing a dangerous weapon, contrary to Wisconsin Statutes section 939.63(1). If this is found to be the case the maximum term of imprisonment for this crime may be increased by not more than 5 years.

Complainant states that she is a city of Milwaukee police detective and bases this complaint upon information and belief and upon her review of official police reports prepared by fellow

City of Milwaukee officers, which are of the kind she has used in the past and found to be truthful and reliable and which she knows were prepared in the ordinary and regular course of police business.

Complainant states her reading of those reports revealed that on September 13, 2008, Milwaukee police were dispatched to Sullivan's tavern located at 1225 N. Water Street, City and County of Milwaukee, State of Wisconsin, in response to a report of a stabbing. Upon arriving, police spoke to adult citizen Katie Wettstein who stated that she had arrived at Sullivan's around 1:00 a.m. with a friend and that she was talking to her friend when she observed a verbal altercation going on between defendant Jessica Cody and another woman. Ms. Wettstein stated that she then observed the defendant pull out a dark-handled switchblade type knife and hold it so that the woman she was talking to could see it. Ms. Wettstein stated that the defendant held the knife in her right hand near her right side in a lowered position and that she appeared to attempt to close the knife but then came back up with the knife at the victim and cut her under her left eye. Ms. Wettstein stated that she then ran over and jumped in the middle between the two women and pulled the victim, later identified as Katlynn Dallmann, away. Ms. Wettstein stated that she then observed the defendant go around towards the bathroom and leave out the front door of the tavern and Ms. Wettstein then went with one of the bouncers from the tavern to go locate the defendant who was found outside in front of the bar next door to Sullivan's.

Police spoke with Neal Steffek who stated that he is employed at Sullivan's and works at the bar as a bouncer. Mr. Steffek stated that after the above-described incident occurred he went outside with Ms. Wettstein and she pointed out the defendant as the person who had stabbed Ms. Dallmann. Mr. Steffek stated that he ran up behind the defendant and grabbed her on her shoulders and told her that he wanted to talk to her about what had happened at his bar and the defendant replied, "Yeah, I fucking stabbed her. What the hell are you going to do about it?" Mr. Steffek stated that he and a bouncer from the bar next door held the defendant until the police arrived.

Police interviewed Katlynn Dallmann at Mt. Sinai Hospital where she went for treatment for her wounds. Ms. Dallmann had a 5 to 6 inch laceration which was 15 centimeters deep on her right upper arm and two one-inch lacerations near the outside corner of her left eye. Ms. Dallmann stated that she was at Sullivan's and had had a verbal altercation with the defendant and then approximately 20 minutes later she was making her way towards the door when the defendant pushed her. Ms. Dallmann stated that she then pushed the defendant back and then saw that the defendant had a 2-inch blade and that the suspect cut her real quick and she felt pain to her arm. She stated that at the time of the incident she did not initially realize that she had been cut near her eye as well. She stated that she went towards the exit when she saw a friend and told him that she had been cut and they then took a taxi and went to the hospital.

On September 15, 2008, Milwaukee police interviewed Janel Higgs, who was also cut during the above-described incident. Ms. Higgs stated that she was at the bar with Ms. Dallmann and Ms. Dallmann's boyfriend, Antonio Jones, when she saw the defendant slash with the knife at Ms. Dallmann and that she, Ms. Higgs, then got in between the two in an attempt to separate

them. Ms. Higgs stated that at that time she was stabbed on the left side of her neck and that the injury resulting from the stabbing required surgery. Ms. Higgs went to Froedtert Hospital and was operated on and the doctors told her that the slice wound that she suffered along the back of her left shoulder across the left side of her neck and down the front of her chest had just missed her carotid artery.

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

**Subscribed and sworn to before me
and approved for filing on this
_____ day of _____,
2008**

**DEPUTY / ASSISTANT DISTRICT
ATTORNEY**

Complaining Witness

James C. Griffin\MIAW

-- FELONY COMPLAINT --

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I, JOHN T. CHISHOLM, DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR MILWAUKEE COUNTY, WISCONSIN, HEREBY INFORM THE COURT THAT THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT (S) IN THE COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE, STATE OF WISCONSIN.

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DATED:

**John T. Chisholm
District Attorney**

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