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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MAN CHARGED FOR KILLING TONI BROOKS

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Greene County Prosecuting Attorney Dan Patterson announces that Charles M. Holsey, 40, of Indiana, has been charged today with murder in the first degree and armed criminal action in relation to the death of Toni Brooks. Ms. Brooks's body was located on October 10, 2018 after her family asked the police to check on her well-being. The Springfield Police Department has been actively investigating this case since that date and developed Charles Holsey as a suspect. Mr. Holsey was arrested yesterday afternoon. The Greene County Prosecutor filed formal charges today.

Mr. Patterson cautions that the charges contained in the felony complaint are merely allegations and that the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty in court.

Copies of the felony complaint and probable cause statement filed in this case are attached to this release. The Missouri Supreme Court ethics rules prohibit comments on the facts or investigation of this case beyond those contained in the felony complaint and probable cause statement that are part of the public record.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Joseph Wright. It is being investigated by the Springfield Police Department and Detective Kelly Patton is the lead investigator assigned to the case.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF GREENE COUNTY, MISSOURI

STATE OF MISSOURI, Plaintiff,	Associate Division)))	FILE D
vs.) Case No. 1831-CR06278	CIRCUIT CLERK
CHARLES M HOLSEY,) OCN#	
Defendant.) PA File No. 077406840	

FELONY COMPLAINT

COUNT I

The Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Greene, State of Missouri, charges that the defendant, in violation of Section 565.020, RSMo, committed the class A felony of murder in the first degree punishable upon conviction under Section 565.020, RSMo, in that on or between October 7, 2018 and October 10, 2018, in the County of Greene, State of Missouri, the defendant after deliberation, knowingly caused the death of T.B. by stabbing her.

COUNT II

The Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Greene, State of Missouri, charges that the defendant, in violation of Section 571.015, RSMo, committed the felony of armed criminal action, punishable upon conviction under Section 571.015.1, RSMo, in that on or between October 7, 2018 and October 10, 2018, in the County of Greene, State of Missouri, the defendant committed the felony of murder in the first degree charged in Count I, all allegations of which are incorporated herein by reference, and the defendant committed the foregoing felony of murder in the first degree by, with and through, the knowing use, assistance and aid of a dangerous instrument.

The facts that form the basis for this information and belief are contained in the attached probable cause statement concerning this matter, which statement is made a part hereof and is submitted herewith as a basis upon which this court may find the existence of probable cause for the issuance of the warrant.

WHEREFORE, the Prosecuting Attorney prays that an arrest warrant be issued as provided by law.

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SPRINGFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

FELONY PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT



Date: 11/01/2018 Case #: 18-40834

CIRCUIT CLERK GREENE COUNTY

- I, Kelly Patton, knowing that false statements on this form are punishable by law state as follows:
- 1. I have probable cause to believe that Charles M. Holsey, Black/Male, DOB committed one or more criminal offenses.
- 2. The following crime(s) happened on 10/07/2018 1600 hours 10/10/2018 1850 hours at 1617 N. Benton, Apartment B in Springfield, Greene County, Missouri.
- 3. The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On 10/10/2018 officers were dispatched to 1617 N. Benton, apartment B, to check TB. The caller reported they had not heard from TB for several days. Responding officers found the East door to apartment B closed but unlocked. Responding officers also noted a foul smell coming from inside the apartment and officers entered the apartment to check the residence. When opening the east door to the apartment, officers found a mattress and bed springs were leaning up against the door that had to be pushed out of the way to enter. Officers also noted, in the kitchen area, a refrigerator was moved in front of the west door barricading the door.

While checking the apartment, officers reported seeing what they believed to be blood in several areas inside the apartment. While checking the bathroom, a deceased female was found lying on the floor. The female had numerous visible lacerations to her upper torso and body. The remaining areas of the apartment were checked and no one else was found inside. The apartment and scene were secured for processing.

While processing the scene, blood evidence and other items of evidence were collected, including a cellular phone. Several drops of blood were found on the bedroom floor. It was found the headboard and metal bed frame were in place, however, the mattress and box springs were on their edge laying against the east door. Sitting inside the metal bed frame was a large cushioned chair butted up against the box springs. Additionally, a sofa had been partially placed on top of the large cushioned chair. It appeared the mattress, box springs, large cushioned chair and the sofa were used to barricade the east door to the apartment. While processing the bedroom, a single drop of blood was found on top of the metal bed frame where the bed would have been resting. The female was also positively identified as TB.

Located at the scene was a white four door Buick parked on the west side of the apartment complex that checked to TB. A receipt for Eagle Pawn and Jewelry was found inside the Buick. The paperwork was dated 10/06/2018 at 1024 hours. The name on the paperwork was listed as Charles Holsey and listed an address for Holsey of 1418 Salisbury Ln., Indianapolis, IN. Furthermore, the paperwork showed Holsey sold an Intertek fan for \$35.00. Listed in a box on the paperwork labeled "identification Type and No." was an Indiana Driver's License number of 2350211387.

I submitted evidence collected at the crime scene to the Missouri State Highway Patrol Crime Laboratory for processing. The evidence included a sample of the single drop of blood found on top of the bed frame.

Felony Probable Cause Statement.dotm

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The evidence was processed for DNA and latent print identification. I was notified by the Missouri State Highway Patrol Crime Laboratory the evidence submitted had been processed and compared through CODIS (Combined DNA Index System). I was also notified a national level offender hit occurred with the state of Indiana from the swab taken on the bed frame. The offender information checked to a Charles Holsey.

I turned the cellular phone recovered from the scene to Computer Forensic Examiner M. Costello for processing. I was provided with a CD copy of the extracted data from the cellular phone. While reviewing the data from the cellular phone I found the number assigned to the phone was the same as TB's phone number. On 10/07/18 at 1211 hours TB received two text messages from phone number 317-523-1549. The text message indicated the sender wanted to meet with TB. Immediately after receiving the text messages TB called the phone number. The data showed the phone conversation lasted for 2 minutes and 45 seconds.

By using police resources, I found 317-523-1549 checked to Dorothy Triplett. By using police resources, I found Triplett had a listed relative identified as Flora Easler. Police resources showed Easler had a listed address of 1627 N. Main, Springfield, Mo. On 10-29-2018 I drove by 1627 N. Main and observed a male sitting in the back yard who I identified as Charles Holsey. On 10/31/18 Holsey was contacted as he stepped out of 1627 N. Main. Holsey was transported to Police Headquarters to be interviewed.

Once at Police Headquarters, i conducted a recorded interview with Holsey. Post Miranda, Holsey confirmed his phone number was 317-523-1549. Holsey confirmed he was picked up by a female in a white car who asked him to sell a fan to Eagle Pawn and Jewelry. After selling the fan, Holsey said he and the female purchased narcotics. After purchasing the narcotics, Holsey and the female went back to her apartment. Once at the apartment, Holsey and the female ingested the narcotics. While inside the female's apartment, Holsey said his hand was cut when a glass smoking pipe shattered in his hand. Holsey admitted his hand bled and his blood would have been inside the female's apartment. Holsey denied knowing the female's name and he claimed he did not know where she lived.

Holsey showed me the palm of his right hand and pointed to a mark in the center of his palm. Holsey said the mark was from being cut by the piece of glass. While inspecting Holsey's right hand I also saw he had what appeared to be a laceration on the inside of his index finger and a laceration on the outside of his pinky finger. The lacerations appeared to be in the healing process and were not new. I took several photographs of Holsey to document his injuries. At the conclusion of my interview, I advised Holsey he was under arrest. Holsey was transported and booked into the Greene County jail.

I reviewed the photographs taken while TB's apartment was processed. When reviewing the photographs of TB I could see, at minimum, 10 single point holes in the chest of TB's shirt. I also saw TB had numerous, single point injuries and large elongated injuries on both her right and left upper arms and forearms. A preliminary report from the Greene County Medical Examiner's Office listed TB's death as a Homicide.

The facts contained above are true.		•	
	1598	Detective	
Signature	DSN	Title	

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PROSECUTING ATTORNEY'S BAIL/BOND RECOMMENDATION

The bail/bond recommendation of the Greene County Prosecutor, in this case, is as follows:

- 1. Hold without Bond.
- 2. Should a bond be set, the State requests that the Court impose the conditions of bond set out on the proposed Exhibit A to Arrest Warrant attached hereto and that such conditions be incorporated by reference upon the Warrant.
- 3. Pursuant to the Missouri Constitution, Article I, Section 32.2, and Section 544.457, RSMo, the State requests the Court deny bail because the defendant poses a danger to the community. In support of the request, Plaintiff, incorporates by reference herein, the allegations set out in the probable cause statement filed herein and further states: Defendant stabbed the victim well in excess of 10 times, causing her death. The nature of this offense as set forth in the probable cause statement prove that the defendant is a danger to the community.

Respectfully submitted

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EXHIBIT A TO ARREST WARRANT

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SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF RELEASE ON BOND SET BY THE COURT:

⊠ HOLD WITHOUT BOND. The Court finds, pursuant to the Missouri Constitution, Article I, Section 32.2, and Section 544.457, RSMo, that, based upon the showing in the State's bond recommendation and the probable cause statement filed herein, the Defendant poses a danger to the community and the Court, therefore, denies bail herein.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF RELEASE ON BOND IF A BOND IS SET BY THE COURT:

☑ OPEN COURT ONLY BOND
☑ Obey all laws
No contact or communication with any victims or their family or any witnesses to the alleged events in any manner or through any
medium
Not to possess any weapon, firearm or ammunition
Not to possess or consume alcohol or be on premises of establishment where the primary item for sale is alcoholic beverages
Not to possess any drug/controlled substance unless prescribed for defendant by a physician
GPS monitoring with house arrest inside defendant's residence is 24 hours and 7 days a week) (Provider to report all violations to
Court no later than within 12 hours)