

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF STUTSMAN

IN DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHEAST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

State of North Dakota)	
Plaintiff)	Criminal Complaint
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v)	
)	
Michael Franklin Steiner, YOB 1985)	47 2017 CR 627
Defendant)	

Stutsman County, North Dakota } subscribed and sworn

The Complainant being first duly sworn charges the following.

1. Count 1

From on or about the **1st day of July 2017 to on or about the 15th day of August 2017**, in Stutsman County, North Dakota, the Defendant committed the offense of **aggravated assault**, conduct prohibited by North Dakota Century Code section **12.1-17-02(1)**, by willfully causing serious bodily injury, defined at 12.1-01-04(29), to another human being, C.M. by causing unconsciousness and at the time C. M. was a family or household member as that term is defined at 14-07.1-01. In particular the Defendant hit C. M. in the head so hard C. M. blacked out.

- A. This against the peace and dignity of the State of North Dakota
- B. C felony §12.1-17-02
- C. Punishable by up to 5 years' imprisonment and/or a \$10,000 fine § 12.1-32-01(4)
- D. Mandatory minimum domestic violence offender treatment 12.1-17-13
- E. Significant consequences other than any consequences the court imposes may follow from a guilty plea or finding of guilt. Rule 3.8(c)(4), N.D.R.Pro.C.

2. Count 2

From on or about the **1st day of July 2017 to on or about the 15th day of August 2017**, in Stutsman County, North Dakota, the Defendant committed the offense of **terrorizing**, conduct prohibited by North Dakota Century Code section **12.1-17-04(1)**, by threatening to commit a crime of violence or act dangerous to human life, with intent to place another person in fear for that person's or another's safety, or in reckless disregard of the risk of causing such terror. In particular, the Defendant told C. M. that the Defendant would kill C. M. if C. M. went to the police or C. M.'s mother, or words to that effect, and at the time C. M. was a family or household member as defined in NDCC §14-07.1-01.

- A. Against the peace and dignity of the State of North Dakota
- B. C felony, §12.1-17-04
- C. Punishable by up to five years' imprisonment &/or a \$10,000 fine, §12.1-32-01(4)
- D. Mandatory minimum domestic violence offender treatment §12.1-17-13
- E. Significant consequences other than any consequences the court imposes may follow from a guilty plea or finding of guilt. Rule 3.8(c)(4), N.D.R.Pro.C.

3. Count 3

On or about the **23rd day of June 2016**, in Stutsman County, North Dakota, the Defendant committed the offense of **disorderly conduct**, activity prohibited by North Dakota Century Code section **12.1-31-01(1)(a)**, **12.1-31-01(1)(g)**, and/or **12.1-31-01(1)(h)** by intending to harass, annoy, or alarm another person or in reckless disregard of the fact that another person is harassed, annoyed, or alarmed by the Defendant's behavior, and

-engaging in fighting, or in violent, tumultuous, or threatening behavior;

-creating a hazardous, physically offensive, or seriously alarming condition by an act that serves no legitimate purpose; and/or

-engaging in harassing conduct by means of intrusive or unwanted acts, words, or gestures that are intended to adversely affect the safety, security, or privacy of another person. In particular, the Defendant:

-called C. M. a whore and told her to go get some meth, or words to that effect;

-told C. M. to strip off her clothes because the Defendant wanted methamphetamine and thought C. M. was hiding it on her self;

-told C. M. that *it's sad that I can get off beating you and you can't get my dick hard any other way*, or words to that effect;

-poured Kool-aid over C. M.'s head;

-said to C. M. *take your nasty ass in there and take a shower*, or words to that effect;

and/or -forced C. M. to shower with the shower curtain open and the door to the bathroom open.

A. Against the peace and dignity of the State of North Dakota

B. B misdemeanor, § 12.1-31-01(1)

C. Punishable by up to 30 days' imprisonment &/or a \$1,500 fine §12.1-32-01(6)

D. Significant consequences other than any consequences the court imposes may follow from a guilty plea or finding of guilt. Rule 3.8(c)(4), N.D.R.Pro.C.

4. Count 4

On or about the **25th day of July 2017**, in Stutsman County, North Dakota, the Defendant committed the offense of **gross sexual imposition**, conduct prohibited by North Dakota Century Code section **12.1-20-03(1)(a)**, by being at least twenty-two years of age and willfully engaging in a sexual act with the victim, C. M., which he compelled C. M. to submit to by force or by threat of imminent death, serious bodily injury, or kidnapping, to be inflicted on any human being.

A. Against the peace and dignity of the State of North Dakota

B. Class AA felony, §12.1-20-03(3)(a)

C. Punishable by up to life in prison without the possibility of parole, §12.1-32-01(1)

D. Minimum sentence of 20 years' imprisonment, with probation supervision to follow the incarceration. The court may deviate from the mandatory sentence if the court finds that the sentence would impose a manifest injustice and the defendant has accepted responsibility for the crime or cooperated with law enforcement. However a defendant convicted of a class AA felony under this section may not be sentenced to serve less than five years of incarceration.

- E. Mandatory minimum: 5 years' supervised probation, §12.1-32-06.1(4)
 - F. Deferred imposition of sentence not allowed §12.1-32-04.1
 - G. Requires pre-sentence investigation including risk assessment, §12.1-32-02(11)
 - H. Significant consequences other than any consequences the court imposes may follow from a guilty plea or finding of guilt. Rule 3.8(c)(4), N.D.R.Pro.C.
5. Count 5
- On or about the **14th day of August 2017**, in Stutsman County, North Dakota, the Defendant committed the offense of **ingesting a controlled substance**, conduct prohibited by North Dakota Century Code section **19-03.1-22.3**, by intentionally ingesting, inhaling, or otherwise taking into the human body a controlled substance, **methamphetamine**, that was not obtained directly from a practitioner or pursuant to a valid prescription or order of a practitioner while acting in the practitioner's professional practice. The term "practitioner" is defined at NDCC § 19-03.1-01(25).
- A. Against the peace and dignity of the State of North Dakota
 - B. A misdemeanor §19-03.1-22.3
 - C. Punishable by up to 360 days' imprisonment &/or a \$3,000 fine, §12.1-32-01(5)
 - D. Significant consequences other than any consequences the court imposes may follow from a guilty plea or finding of guilt. Rule 3.8(c)(4), N.D.R.Pro.C.
6. Count 6
- On or about the **17th day of August 2017**, in Stutsman County, North Dakota, the Defendant committed the offense of **simple assault (domestic)**, conduct prohibited by North Dakota Century Code section **12.1-17-01(1)(a)**, by willfully causing bodily injury to another person, C. M., who was at the time a family or household member as defined in NDCC §14-07.1-01. In particular the Defendant caused bodily injury to C. M. when he hit C. M. in the head with a hammer and/or threw an object at her hitting her in the abdomen.
- A. Against the peace and dignity of the State of North Dakota
 - B. B misdemeanor, §12.1-17-01
 - C. Punishable by up to 30 days' imprisonment and/or a \$1,500 fine §12.1-32-01(6)
 - D. Mandatory minimum domestic violence offender treatment §12.1-17-13
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 - C. Punishable by up to 5 years' imprisonment and/or a \$10,000 fine § 12.1-32-01(4)

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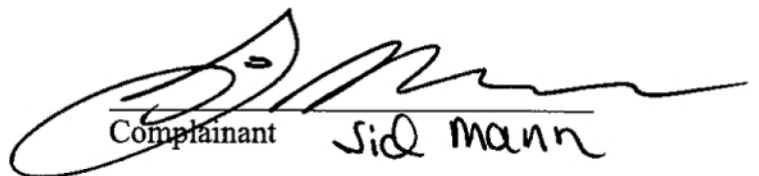
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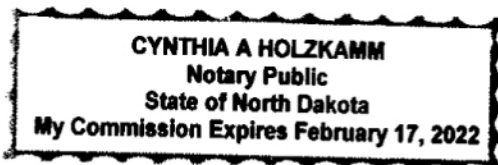
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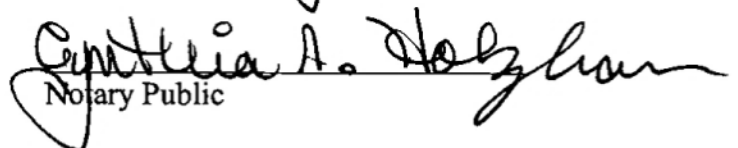
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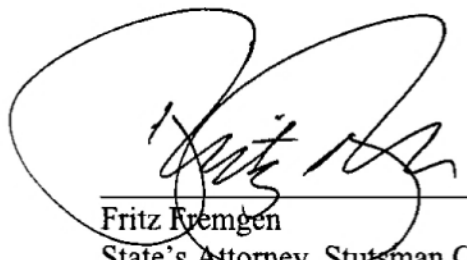
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Complainant **Sid Mann**

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of August 2017.




Notary Public

 21 AUGUST 2017
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10. Names of Witnesses for Prosecution

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Robin Zens

Dale Ackland

Tyler Falk

Hannah Rohrich

Kathy Jaskowski

Alex Breitbach

LeRoy Gross

Patrick Nelson

Gary Jensen

Scott Edinger