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IN THE JUSTICE COURT OF RAVALLI COUNTY, STATE OF MONTANA
BEFORE JIM BAILEY, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

STATE OF MONTANA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JARRID K. CANFIELD,

Defendant.

Cause No.: CR 2021- 309

Dept. No.: 1 (2)

FELONY COMPLAINT

State of Montana)
County of Ravalli) : ss.

Angela Wetzsteon, Chief Deputy Ravalli County Attorney, being first duly sworn,
accuses JARRID K. CANFIELD of the following crimes, committed in Ravalli County,
Montana:

CHARGE 1 – NEGLIGENT HOMICIDE, a Felony, in violation of §45-5-104, M.C.A.:

On or about September 7, 2021, Defendant JARRID K. CANFIELD negligently caused
the death of Jordan Teeple, in violation of the above-referenced statute.

CHARGE 2 – CRIMINAL ENDANGERMENT, a Felony, in violation of § 45-5-207, M.C.A.:

On or about September 7, 2021, Defendant JARRID K. CANFIELD did knowingly
engage in conduct that created a substantial risk of death or serious bodily injury to Youth 1, a
10-year-old female, in violation of the above-referenced statute.

1 CHARGE 3 – CRIMINAL ENDANGERMENT, a Felony, in violation of § 45-5-207, M.C.A.:

2 On or about September 7, 2021, Defendant JARRID K. CANFIELD did knowingly
3 engage in conduct that created a substantial risk of death or serious bodily injury to Youth 2, an
4 8-year-old female, in violation of the above-referenced statute.

5 CHARGE 4 – CRIMINAL ENDANGERMENT, a Felony, in violation of § 45-5-207, M.C.A.:


6 On or about September 7, 2021, Defendant JARRID K. CANFIELD did knowingly
7 engage in conduct that created a substantial risk of death or serious bodily injury to Youth 3, a 7-
8 year-old female, in violation of the above-referenced statute.

9 CHARGE 5 – PARTNER OR FAMILY MEMBER ASSAULT, a Misdemeanor, in violation of
10 § 45-5-206, M.C.A.:

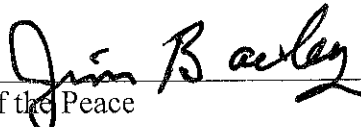
11 On or about September 7, 2021, Defendant JARRID K. CANFIELD purposely or
12 knowingly caused bodily injury to, and/or reasonable apprehension of bodily injury in, Jordan
13 Teeple, his girlfriend, in violation of the above-referenced statute.

14 DATED: October 12, 2021.

15 BILL FULBRIGHT, County Attorney

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17 Angela Wetzsteon, Chief Deputy Attorney

18 SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to me this 13 day of October, 2021.

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Angela Wetzsteon, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

I am the Chief Deputy County Attorney for Ravalli County, Montana.

I have reviewed an investigation conducted by the Montana Highway Patrol. It is upon this investigation that the State is now seeking to charge Defendant JARRID K. CANFIELD with felony Negligent Homicide, three (3) counts of felony Criminal Endangerment and misdemeanor PFMA.

On September 7, 2021, at approximately 5:30 p.m., Defendant crashed the vehicle he was driving in which his partner, Jordan Teeple, and their three (3) daughters, Youth 1 a 10-year-old female, Youth 2 an 8-year-old female, and a Youth 3 a 7-year-old female, were all passengers. As a result of the crash, Jordan Teeple died and all three (3) of the girls were injured.

1 Montana Highway Patrol Trooper Pat Heaney investigated the crash and learned that on
2 September 7, 2021, at approximately 5:30 p.m., Defendant was driving his 2005 Dodge Dakota
3 northbound on Eastside Highway near the 8 mile marker when he veered into the southbound
4 lane of traffic, took evasive action and overcorrected. The vehicle then drove off the right side
5 of the roadway and began to slide with the front of the vehicle facing east. The vehicle traveled
6 for approximately 161 feet and then began to roll. After several rolls, the vehicle landed on the
7 roof, causing the left rear of the bed of the truck to collide with a tree. The impact spun the
8 vehicle around 180 degrees and came to a rest on its roof facing west. Jordan Teeple was in the
9 front passenger seat and her body was partially ejected from the vehicle, with her legs remaining
10 in the vehicle and her upper torso being pinned under the vehicle at the time it came to rest.
11 Youth 2 was also completely ejected from the vehicle. As a result of the crash, Youth 2
12 sustained a broken wrist and several broken bones in her back. Youth 1 had multiple deep
13 lacerations to her face. Youth 3 was treated for multiple contusions to her upper torso.

15 While being treated at St. Patrick's Hospital in Missoula, Youth 2 informed her nurse that
16 her parents were in a physical altercation at the time of the crash. She reported that her father,
17 Defendant, had both hands off the steering wheel and was assaulting her mother, Jordan Teeple,
18 when the crash occurred.

19 Jordan Teeple's father and the girls' grandfather, Jeffrey Teeple, also spoke with Youth 1
20 and Youth 3 while they were being treated at Community Hospital in Missoula. They both also
21 reported that Defendant was physical assaulting their mother at the time the crash occurred. At
22 that time, they reported to Mr. Teeple that Defendant was driving the truck and he and Jordan
23 were arguing. Both Youth 1 and Youth 3 were forensically interviewed at First Step Resource
24 Center in Missoula on September 9, 2021. Youth 1 reported specifically that Defendant hit
25 Jordan three (3) times, and as a result of the first hit, he almost crashed, the second hit caused

1 him to almost drive off the road and crash into a tree, and the third hit is when Defendant took
2 both hands off the steering wheel and crashed the vehicle, causing Jordan's death.

3 Youth 3 reported that Defendant and her mom had been in a fight while Defendant was
4 driving the vehicle. She reported that her dad pushed her mom with both hands and that is how
5 they got into the crash. She reported that during the altercation and crash, she and her sisters
6 were all holding to each other because they were scared. She further reported that the vehicle
7 almost crashed on the first two (2) times that Defendant pushed Jordan.

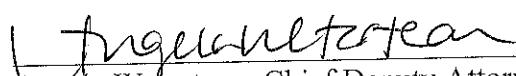
8 Trooper Heaney spoke with Defendant on September 8, 2021. He reported that while he
9 was driving he had looked over toward Jordan and started to drift to the left and then
10 overcorrected, causing the crash. He reported that he and Jordan both were not wearing seatbelts
11 but did not know about the kids. He stated he had not had any alcohol and he had not smoked
12 any marijuana the day of the crash despite being a medical marijuana cardholder. Defendant
13 stated that he had his left hand on the steering wheel while he was talking with Jordan but
14 confirmed that he and Jordan were having a normal conversation and were not arguing.

15 Trooper Heaney again spoke with Defendant on September 16, 2021. This time,
16 Defendant claimed that he and Jordan were having a "heated discussion" which would be
17 considered an argument. He reported that during the discussion Jordan said something to him
18 and he reached over and pushed her leg and said "would you stop being that way." He stated at
19 that point he looked forward and had drifted over to the left and that is when the crash ensued.
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21 The State is requesting the Court issue a warrant for Defendant's arrest with bail set in
22 the amount of \$35,000.

23 DATED: October 12, 2021.

24 Bill Fulbright, County Attorney

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Angela Wetzel, Chief Deputy Attorney

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