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Date: May 9, 2008


RE: **State v. Robert S. Green, 0831-CR03430-21**

The Greene County Prosecutor's Office filed a misdemeanor charge this afternoon against Robert S. Green (dob 10-9-57). The charge alleges that Mr. Green committed the offense of assault in the third degree of Tiffany Adamson. A summons will be issued to the defendant to appear in court.

The offense charged is a class C misdemeanor, with the possible punishment upon conviction being a jail sentence of up to fifteen days and/or a fine of up to three hundred dollars.

This charge arises from an incident on April 8, 2008, that occurred in the Greene County Courthouse, Springfield, Missouri. Mr. Green was a Greene County sheriff's deputy at the time assigned to courthouse security. The probable cause statement setting forth the allegations of the incident is attached. Also attached is a copy of the charge.

It should be noted that this charge is merely an accusation and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

By: 
Darrell L. Moore
Prosecuting Attorney

cc: Charge and probable cause statement.

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MISDEMEANOR INFORMATION
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF GREENE COUNTY, MISSOURI
Associate Division 21

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STATE OF MISSOURI,

Plaintiff,

CIRCUIT COURT
ASSISTANT CLERK

vs.

Case No. 083-CR03430-21
OCN#
13050-06

ROBERT S GREEN,

Defendant.

State of Missouri

County of Greene

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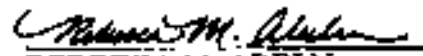
COUNT I

The Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Greene, State of Missouri, upon information and belief, charges that the defendant, in violation of Section 565.070, RSMo, committed the class C misdemeanor of assault in the third degree, punishable upon conviction under Sections 558.011 and 560.016, RSMo, in that on or about ~~4th~~ 5th day of April, 2008, in the County of Greene, State of Missouri, the defendant, ROBERT S. GREEN, purposely placed Tiffany Adamson in apprehension of immediate physical injury by pointing a Taser at her and aiming the Taser's laser sighting device upon her person.

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

WHEREFORE, the Prosecuting Attorney prays that a summons be issued as provided by law.

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SEE ATTACHED WITNESS LIST

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GREENE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

Case# 0780708 Reporting Officer: Lt. James Farrell

I, James Farrell, a law enforcement officer, knowing that false statements made herein are punishable by law, state as follows:

1. I have probable cause to believe that, Robert S. Green, 10/09/57, SSN [REDACTED] committed one or more criminal offenses:

The facts supporting this belief are as follows: On April 08, 2008 Robert Green was working at 1000 N. Boonville (Greene County Courthouse), Springfield, Green County, Missouri. On April 24, 2008 Adamson provided the following information to me. On April 08, 2008 Adamson entered the Greene County Courthouse with her employer, Stacie Bilyeu. Adamson made a joking comment with Robert Green about a former Greene County Employee. As Adamson walked past Green towards the elevator she stated Green jumped up from his chair, drew his Taser and pointed it at her. Adamson said she put her hands in the air. Adamson observed a red laser light on her left breast and stomach. Adamson's husband is an officer and therefore she is familiar with a Taser and what it could do. I asked Adamson what her thoughts were when the Taser was pointed at her. Adamson said she felt "trapped, detained, threatened and like she could not move".

On April 23, 2008 I interviewed Greene County Sheriff's Department Cpl. Gerald Dove about what he witnessed during this incident. Cpl. Dove informed me as Adamson left he observed Green step out of his view. Upon Green returning to his seat Cpl. Dove observed Green's Taser out of the holster and then observed Green placing the Taser back in the holster. Cpl. Dove observed the light on the Taser to still be on.

On April 23, 2008 I interviewed Detective Kenny Weatherford. Detective Weatherford had a conversation with Green on April 11, 2008. Green advised Detective Weatherford he had "screwed up". Detective Weatherford was told by Green he had taken out his Taser and "lasered" a female. Detective Weatherford did not know the name of the female but said Green described her as being a female that worked in Judge Holden's court in the past. Detective Weatherford was also told, Green and the female had been joking about the former bailiff for Judge Holden. Detective Weatherford informed me Green kept saying he was joking with "her".

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