

ARREST WARRANT

STATE OF IOWA, APPANOOSE COUNTY, ss:
TO ANY PEACE OFFICER IN THE STATE:

Case Number: 08041 FECR006984
Citation Number:

Information upon oath having been this day laid before the District Court of Iowa, APPANOOSE County Iowa, that the crime of:

01 - 707.2(1)(a) - MURDER IN THE 1ST DEGREE

has been committed, and accusing:

ETHAN LANDON DAVIS
3326 OHIO ROAD
PROMISE CITY IA 52583

Eyes:	DOB: [REDACTED]	DL#: [REDACTED]
Hair:	HT: 6' 3"	Sex: M
	WT: 164	Race: C

THEREFORE YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED forthwith to arrest the said defendant ETHAN LANDON DAVIS and bring said defendant before court or in case of the absence of the Judges of said Court, or inability to act, before the nearest and most accessible magistrate or the Clerk of the Clerk of the District Court in said County.

Bail is set in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 cash only.

Given under my hand and seal this 5th day of December, 2017 .

/s/ Sara Oden
Clerk of Court/Designee



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CENTERVILLE, IOWA

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IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR APPANOOSE COUNTY

STATE OF IOWA

Plaintiff,

vs

ETHAN LANDON DAVIS

Defendant.

08041 FECR006984

WARRANT

12/05/17

This matter came before the undersigned upon the Complaint filed by the State in this matter. The Court, having examined that complaint, finds there is probable cause to believe the above-named Defendant committed the offense(s) set out therein.

01 - 707.2(1)(a) - MURDER IN THE 1ST DEGREE

THE COURT HEREBY ORDERS that :

An arrest warrant shall issue for Defendant's appearance.

BOND IS SET AT \$1,000,000.00 Cash Only.

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STATE OF IOWA VS DAVIS, ETHAN LANDON
ORDER TO ISSUE WARRANT

So Ordered

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lucy J. Gamon".

Lucy J. Gamon, District Court Judge,
Eighth Judicial District of Iowa

Electronically signed on 2017-12-05 16:19:19

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E-FILED 2017 DEC 5 3:49 PM APPANOOSE - CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT
 IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR
 APPANOOSE COUNTY

This Complaint and Affidavit is to be:

- Filed with Court Clerk (cc: CA)
 Submitted to County Attorney
 Filed with JCO - Defendant is a Juvenile

Agency Case Number: **17015465**

Arrest Date: _____

THE STATE OF IOWA

VS.

OFFENDER

Last DAVIS		First ETHAN		Middle LONDON		Suffix	
Address 3326 OHIO RD				City PROMISE CITY		State IA	Zip Code 52583
DL# [REDACTED]	State IA	DL Class C	DL Endorsements		DL Restrictions		
Date of Birth [REDACTED]	Gender Male	Race White - W		Ethnicity Not of Hispanic Origin - N			
Height 6' 04"	Weight 197 lbs	Eye Color Green - GRN		Hair Color Brown - BRO			

OFFENSE

State <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	County <input type="checkbox"/>	Local <input type="checkbox"/>	Code Section 707.2(1)(A)	Crime Description MURDER IN THE 1ST DEGREE		Speed	in	Zone
Class FELA		Serious P.I. <input type="checkbox"/>	Fatal Accident <input type="checkbox"/>	Civil Damage Assessment <input type="checkbox"/>	Other <input type="checkbox"/>			
Location Type 10 - Field/Woods								
Literal Description INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP, SECTION 32								
Address				City PLANO		State IA	Zip Code 52581	
Is Date and Time of Incident Known? No		Incident Date or Low Range 11/24/2017		Upper Date Range 11/24/2017		Incident Time or Low Range 12:00		Upper Time Range 23:59

STATUS OF OFFENDER/JUVENILE

<input type="checkbox"/> TAKEN INTO CUSTODY	CUSTODY	<input type="checkbox"/> SUMMONS TO APPEAR (Citation Issued)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WARRANT REQUESTED	<input type="checkbox"/> NO CONTACT ORDER REQUESTED	<input type="checkbox"/> RELEASED TO PARENT/GUARDIAN

NARRATIVE

Narrative of Offense Committed
 On or about the above stated date and time, the Defendant did
 having malice aforethought, willfully, deliberately, and with premeditation kill Curtis Lee Ross DOB:02/13/1986.

VICTIM INFORMATION (Optionally displayed, especially if NCO is requested)

Last ROSS		First CURTIS		Middle LEE		Suffix		
Business/Organization/State/County/Municipality Name								
Address				City CEDAR FALLS		State IA	Zip 50613	

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF IOWA, APPANOOSE COUNTY

I, the undersigned, being duly sworn, state that all facts contained in this Complaint and Affidavit, known by me or told to me by other reliable persons form the basis for my belief that the defendant committed this crime

State all facts and persons relied upon supporting elements of alleged crime

Thursday, November 23, 2017 Curtis Ross arrived in Appanoose County (Independence Township) to hunt and retrieve hunting equipment he had previously set out.

At approximately 1:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 25th Curtis Ross was reported missing after he failed to return to the residence where he was

staying. Curtis Ross' pickup was located in a remote area of Appanoose County near the entrance to the Rathbun Lake public hunting ground. Curtis' body was located on Saturday morning by law enforcement in a remote area in rural Appanoose County (Independence Township), which is the same area Curtis was previously hunting. Curtis' body was transported to the Iowa Office of the State Medical Examiner in Ankeny, Iowa and an autopsy was conducted November 27th, 2017. The autopsy determined the cause of death was from multiple stab/incised wounds and multiple gunshot wounds. The manner of death was ruled a Homicide.

A joint investigation to include the Appanoose County Sheriff's Office, Wayne County Sheriff's Office, Iowa Conservation Officers, Centerville Police Department, Iowa State Patrol, and the Division of Criminal Investigation was conducted. A large search was executed by law enforcement that produced several items of interest to include ammunition magazines and ammunition in multiple locations that were in the vicinity of the body of Curtis Ross. Several spent rifle casings were found within 20 yards of Curtis' body and adjacent to a large area of blood. Some of the items of evidence have been forensically examined and resulted in the development of fingerprints that were identified as belonging to Ethan Davis, the Defendant.

A search warrant was executed at 3326 Ohio Rd in rural Promise City, IA. The property associated with this residence is approximately 420 acres and is owned by the parents of Ethan Davis. Davis resided on the property in a small trailer. A vehicle, that was attempted to be concealed, was located approximately - 1 mile North the Davis residence. The vehicle was identified as belonging to Ethan Davis. The vehicle was transported to the Division of Criminalistics Laboratory in Ankeny for forensic examination. Several areas inside the vehicle have tested positive for blood.

During the search of the property at Ohio Road, law enforcement also found a rifle that had been concealed under farm equipment and located in a remote area of the property. Fingerprints belonging to Ethan Davis were identified on the rifle as well as several traces of blood.

A DCI firearms expert matched markings on the casings test fired from the rifle with Ethan Davis' fingerprints to those found adjacent to the area of blood within 20 yards of where Curtis' body was located.

It is known that Ethan Davis was familiar with the land Curtis Ross was hunting and where Ross' body was located.

The ammunition located in the two areas in the vicinity of the body of Curtis Ross is identical to ammunition found at Davis' residence.

Ethan Davis has been in the Wayne County Jail on unrelated charges since November 25, 2017.



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Signature of Complainant or Officer, Officer Name & Number

GENERAL PROBABLE CAUSE

Defendant Implicated 12 - Fingerprints, 14 - Other physical evidence		
Operating Motor Vehicle in County	Other Physical Evidence	Attempted To Inflict Injury

STATE OF IOWA, APPANOOSE COUNTY

	Subscribed and sworn to before me by the person(s) signing the Complaint and Affidavit(s) on 12/05/2017	
	Notary Name	NANCY S WRIGHT Signature of Verifying Party
	Commission Number	705296
	My Commission Expires	09/19/2018
	<input type="checkbox"/> Peace Officer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notary <input type="checkbox"/> Prosecuting Attorney	