

**Adams County**

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<u>CR02-22-000733</u>	<u>State of Idaho vs. John Cody Hart</u>	<u>10/3/22 -</u>	<u>Probable cause affidavit; criminal</u>	
		<u>10/4/22</u>	<u>complaint; arrest warrant; court</u>	
			<u>minutes; notice of intent to seek</u>	
			<u>death penalty; order of commitment</u>	

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Morgan Romero \_\_\_\_\_ 10/5/2022 / 12:10 a.m.  
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON  
MAGISTRATE

IN THE MATTER OF THE )  
APPLICATION FOR AN ARREST )  
WARRANT, WASHINGTON COUNTY, )  
IDAHO )  
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Case No. SOP2201042  
  
**AFFIDAVIT FOR ARREST WARRANT**

STATE OF IDAHO )  
 ) ss.  
County of Washington )

Detective 227 - Doggett, Jorden, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

Your affiant is a duly appointed, qualified, and acting peace officer for 9 years. I am currently a Detective with the Washington County Sheriff's Office. Your affiant has reason to believe that evidence of the crime, , was committed by HART, JOHN CODY, Not Specified, Not Specified, Male, Blue, Blond or Strawberry, 5' 11", 180 lbs.

Your Affiant has probable cause to believe the same is true because of the following facts, of which he has personal knowledge or information:

Investigation: On 10-1-22 I was called by Washington County Deputy Christopher Beltran while I was off duty. Deputy Beltran advised me that he was headed to Adams County to assist with a double homicide and asked if I could assist. I checked into service and made my way north of Cambridge. I heard over the radio that the suspect was driving a blue Subaru Outback and was being followed by an Adams County Deputy. Deputy Beltran and other assisting officers made a traffic stop on the suspect near the intersection of Fort Rd and Highway 95 and placed him under arrest.

After the suspect was in handcuffs I advised him of his Miranda Rights and he was placed into the back of a patrol vehicle. I talked to Adams County Detective Sean Moore, who had been following the suspect in his personal vehicle, and asked him what he would like us to do next. Detective Moore advised me that there was probable cause for arrest on murder and to take him to the Washington County Jail where he would meet me after he was able to get his County vehicle.

Once at the jail I took the suspect's clothes, a white T shirt and sweat pants, and placed them into evidence. The suspect was then put into a holding cell. Once Detective Moore arrived we interviewed the suspect, who identified himself as John Cody Hart, DOB . The interview was conducted in the interview room which is under audio and video surveillance; I was also running my body camera. At the beginning of the interview I once again advised John Hart of his Miranda Rights. During the course of the interview John Hart admitted to me that he shot and killed two people, a man and a woman, at the Hartland hotel in New Meadows.

John told me that while he was at Hartland Hotel he had gone through some drawers looking for socks which he believed belonged to his children. He then thought to himself "Gene and Rory". At this time the man and woman told him that he couldn't be going through rooms, and that the man was the most angry Clyde that



he had ever seen. John told us that they then snatched everything from his hands, making him feel like he was a thief. They then called the cops. John stated that a cop named Grob came and talked to him. John stated that this made him angry, that it caused him pain, and that he felt the couple were like Bonny and Clyde.

John stated that after the sock incident he went back into his room and prepared for the worst. He then heard Pope Gregory and John Paul say are you going to let Bonny and Clyde do that to our family.

John told me that he didn't spite those people, and they still have life in their soul, not in their flesh.

John told us that he then went to the front counter and shot both the man and the woman. John told me that he shot the man through the head, and the woman through the heart. John told me that he only shot two times, that is was clean, and that they died almost instantly, that the woman only lived for three beats of her heart.

John told me that he shot the two people with a 9mm glock.

After the interview I went to New Meadows to look at the crime scene. At the crime scene, at the Hartland Hotel, I saw a male body, who was identified to me as \_\_\_\_\_ at the front counter of the hotel. It appeared to me as though \_\_\_\_\_ had been shot in the head.

I could also see a female body, laying on the floor, with what appeared to be a bullet wound in her back.

I also observed several spent 9mm shell casings at the scene.

I was told by Adams County Sheriff Ryan Zollman that a 9mm green glock had been recovered from where John told us he had thrown it, in the weeds near a church in Indian Valley, Idaho.

This affidavit is made in support of an application for an arrest warrant for HART, JOHN CODY.

Conclusions: There is probable cause to believe that John Hart murdered both \_\_\_\_\_ in the first degree. John told me that they made him feel like a thief while he was searching through rooms for his children's socks.

John stated that them calling him a thief caused him a great deal of pain, and that he went back to his room and prepared for the worst.

This shows that John acted deliberately, with malice aforethought, and then killed both \_\_\_\_\_. This happened after the confrontation about the socks, after \_\_\_\_\_ called and spoke to law enforcement, and then after John had been contacted by law enforcement. These actions took ample time.

Call records show that Deputy Grob cleared the hotel at 12:20 P.M after having spoke with John Hart.

The 911 call reporting the shots being fired came in at 12:44 P.M., 24 minutes later.


This shows that John Hart thought about the "pain" inflicted upon him by \_\_\_\_\_ for at LEAST 20 minutes. His actions were not immediately reactionary to the so called pain that he stated \_\_\_\_\_ caused him.

WHEREFORE, your Affiant has probable cause and is positive that said property described herein is true, therefore, prays that an ARREST WARRANT issued.

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury pursuant to the law of the State of Idaho that the information contained in this document and attached reports and documents that may be included herein is true and correct to the best of my information and belief.

10/1/22

Date

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Detective 227 - Doggett, Jordan

Christopher D. Boyd  
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF  
THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF ADAMS  
MAGISTRATE DIVISION

THE STATE OF IDAHO

Plaintiff,

vs.

JOHN CODY HART,

Defendant.

CASE NO. *CR02-02-733*

CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

COUNT I - MURDER IN THE FIRST  
DEGREE, a Felony, I.C. § 18-4001, 4002,  
4003

COUNT II - MURDER IN THE FIRST  
DEGREE, a Felony, I.C. § 18-4001, 4002,  
4003

PERSONALLY APPEARED before me this Saturday, October 1, 2022 Christopher D. Boyd, Prosecuting Attorney for Adams County, who being first duly sworn on oath complains and says:

COUNT I

That the Defendant, John Cody Hart, on or about October 1, 2022, in the County of Adams, State of Idaho, did willfully, unlawfully, deliberately, with premeditation, and with malice aforethought, kill and murder \_\_\_\_\_ a human being, by shooting him with a

handgun, from which he died, in violation of I.C. § 18-4001, 4002, 4003, MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE, a Felony.

COUNT II

That the Defendant, John Cody Hart, on or about October 1, 2022, in the County of Adams, State of Idaho, did willfully, unlawfully, deliberately, with premeditation, and with malice aforethought, kill and murder \_\_\_\_\_, a human being, by shooting her with a handgun, from which she died, in violation of I.C. § 18-4001, 4002, 4003, MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE, a Felony.

All of which is contrary to the form of the statutes in said state made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Idaho.

DATED this 1st day of October, 2022.



CHRISTOPHER D. BOYD  
Prosecuting Attorney  
Adams County, Idaho

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2022.



HON. JOHN MEIENHOFER

PC. Sund 10/1/2022  
at 11:43 p.m.





IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF  
THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF ADAMS

THE STATE OF IDAHO,  
Plaintiff,

v.

JOHN CODY HART.  
Defendant.

Case No. CR02-

WARRANT OF ARREST (Felony)

DOB:

AKA:

DL#:

SSN:

Gender:

Race:

Height:

Weight:

Hair Color:

Address:

To any law enforcement officer:

Information, under oath, having been presented to me through Deputy Jordan Doggett of the <sup>Washington</sup> ~~Adams~~ County Sheriff's Office, on 10/14/2022, and there appearing to be probable cause to believe that the following public offense(s) of Idaho Code Section(s):

Statute:

Description:

I. 18-4001, 4002, 4003 First Degree Murder

II. 18-4001, 4002, 4003 First Degree Murder

Have/has been committed, and accusing the above-named Defendant, you are ordered to arrest and bring the Defendant before the Court at 201 Industrial Ave, Council, ID 83612, County of Adams, State of Idaho, or, in the case of my absence or inability to act or if the Defendant is arrested outside of this county, before the nearest available magistrate within the judicial district where the Defendant is arrested. If the Defendant is arrested outside the State of Idaho, please contact Idaho law enforcement to arrange extradition and transportation to Idaho.

BAIL: \$ no bail until arraignment

The arrest may be on any day, and at any time day or night, including inside a person's residence. I.C. §19-607. Defendant shall be transported from any location in the U.S. unless noted below:

From \_\_\_\_\_ Judicial District(s) only.

From these states \_\_\_\_\_.

From \_\_\_\_\_ counties only.

From surrounding states.

From any and all counties in the State of Idaho.

From this number of \_\_\_\_\_ miles.

DATED this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2022

Judge

John Vanderlinden



IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF  
THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF ADAMS

State of Idaho  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
John Cody Hart  
Defendant.

**Case No. CR02-22-000733**

**Court Minutes**

JUDGE: Meienhofer, John  
CLERK: Katie Vanderlinden  
HEARING TYPE: Arraignment

DATE: October 03, 2022  
LOCATION:  
COURT REPORTER:  
INTERPRETER:

**Parties Present:**

State of Idaho Attorney: Christopher D. Boyd  
John Cody Hart Attorney:

**Hearing Start Time: 3:44 PM**

Journal Entries:

- Jolene Maloney is appearing for the Defendant today  
3:44 Court calls case  
3:45 Court reads Criminal Complaint - Defendant understands charges  
3:53 Court will take a short recess until 4:15 so that Defendant can read through his rights forms as well as talk to Ms. Maloney  
4:25 Court back in session  
Defendant read through his rights forms  
Defendant sworn in by Court  
Defendant requests Public Defender  
Court finds that he qualifies for a public Defender  
Court appoints Mr. Chastain and Ms. Massoth as 1st and 2nd chair  
Court would like to continue arraignment until 10-4-22 at 9:00am  
4:29 Court orders that the Defendant be held without bail until the next hearing.  
4:30 Court in recess

**Hearing End Time: 4:30 PM**

Exhibits:

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MAGISTRATE DIVISION

THE STATE OF IDAHO,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JOHN CODY HART,

Defendant.

CASE NO. CR02-22-000733

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO  
SEEK DEATH PENALTY**


TO: JOHN CODY HART, the above-named Defendant; ROBERT CHASTAIN & ELISA MASSOTH, attorneys for Defendant; Clerk of the Court; The Honorable Judge John Meienhofer,

COMES NOW, Christopher Boyd, Prosecuting Attorney for the County of Adams, State of Idaho, and pursuant to Idaho Code Section 18-4004A, files this Notice of Intent to Seek the Death Penalty in the above-entitled matter. In any penalty phase of this case for the crimes of Murder in the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree, the State of Idaho moves the Court to require jury findings of aggravated circumstances in accordance with the decision of the U.S. Supreme Court in *Ring v. Arizona*, 536 U.S. 584(2002).

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the State will rely on the following statutory aggravating circumstances exist as enumerated by Idaho Code Section 19-2515 in seeking the death penalty:

- (b) At the time the murder was committed the defendant also committed another murder.
- (e) The murder was especially heinous, atrocious or cruel, manifesting exceptional depravity.
- (f) By the murder, or circumstances surrounding its commission, the Defendant exhibited utter disregard for human life.
- (i) The defendant, by his conduct, whether such conduct was before, during or after the commission of the murder at hand, has exhibited a propensity to commit murder which will probably constitute a continuing threat to society.

DATED this 4th day of October 2022.

  
CHRISTOPHER BOYD  
Prosecuting Attorney  
Adams County, Idaho

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on or about this Tuesday, October 4, 2022, I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing instrument to be served upon the attorney for the Defendant by the method indicated below and addressed to the following:

Robert Ross Chastain  
Attorney for Defendant  
PO Box 756  
Boise, ID 83701

- U.S. Mail (Postage Prepaid)
- Fax:
- Hand Delivered
- E-mail: memo@chastainlaw.net
- E-file: memo@chastainlaw.net

Elisa G. Massoth, PLLC  
Attorney for Defendant  
PO Box 1003  
Payette, ID 83661

- U.S. Mail (Postage Prepaid)
- Fax:
- Hand Delivered
- E-mail: emassoth@kmrs.net
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/s/ Patricia Paulin   
Patricia Paulin, Legal Assistant



IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE  
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF ADAMS  
MAGISTRATE DIVISION

STATE OF IDAHO )  
Plaintiff, )

vs. )

John Cody Hart )  
Defendant. )

Case No: CR02-22-733

**ORDER FOR**

Conditional Release

Release On Own Recognizance

Commitment

***TO THE SHERIFF OF ADAMS COUNTY, STATE OF IDAHO:***

YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED that the defendant abide by the following conditions:

- Defendant is Ordered Released.  On Own Recognizance  Case Dismissed
- If currently on probation defendant to report immediately to probation officer and follow all rules, conditions and reporting requirements established by your probation officer.
- Bond having been set in the Sum of \$
- The Defendant shall not purchase, possess or consume alcoholic beverages or mood altering substances, including marijuana, without a valid prescription. The Defendant shall, in the discretion of the ACSO, submit to evidentiary testing by the ACSO for alcohol and/or drugs, with the costs of such testing to be paid by the Defendant.
- Do not drive or sit in the front seat of any motor vehicle, including a pick up truck.
- Abide by No Contact Order.
- Defendant shall sign a waiver of extradition prior to release.
- Defendant shall no commit any new misdemeanors or felonies.
- Other: *To be held without bail*

Dated: 10/4/22

  
John Meienhofer, Magistrate

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State of Idaho  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
John Cody Hart  
Defendant.

**Case No. CR02-22-000733**

**Court Minutes**

JUDGE: Meienhofer, John  
CLERK: Katie Vanderlinden  
HEARING TYPE: Arraignment

DATE: October 04, 2022  
LOCATION:  
COURT REPORTER:  
INTERPRETER:

**Parties Present:**

State of Idaho Attorney: Christopher D. Boyd  
John Cody Hart Attorney: Robert Ross Chastain, Elisa Massoth, Jolene Maloney

**Hearing Start Time: 9:02 AM**

Journal Entries:

State argues against bail

Defense submits to not argue bail at this time but reserve the right to argue bail at a later time.

Defense asks Court to appoint Jolene Maloney as a 3<sup>rd</sup> chair public defender.

Court appoints Ms. Maloney

Defense asks for a Status Conf on Oct. 17, 2022 at 4:30pm via Zoom to allow them access to their client.

**Hearing End Time: 9:18 AM**

Exhibits: