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IN THE JUSTICE COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA  
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MISSOULA  
BEFORE, Marie A Andersen, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

STATE OF MONTANA,

Plaintiff,

-VS-

DERAN M TAYLOR,

Defendant,

Department No.

Cause No.

18-2017-330

**COMPLAINT**


BRIAN LOWNEY, Deputy County Attorney, deposes and says that on or about the 4th day of March, 2017, in Missoula County, the Defendant committed the offenses of  
COUNT I: ASSAULT WITH WEAPON, a Felony, in violation of Montana law, namely: Mont. Code Ann. 45-5-213, punishable by 20 years MSP and/or \$50,000 fine; COUNT II: PARTNER OR FAMILY MEMBER ASSAULT - 2ND OFFENSE, a Misdemeanor, in violation of Montana law, namely: Mont. Code Ann. 45-5-206[2nd], punishable by not less than 72 hours or more than one year MCDF and a fine not less than \$300 or more than \$1000.

The facts constituting the offense are:

1           COUNT I: On or about the 4th day of March, 2017, the above-named Defendant  
2 purposely or knowingly caused bodily injury to Jane Doe with a weapon, to wit: a  
3 propane tank.  
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5           COUNT II: On or about the 4th day of March, 2017, the above-named  
6 Defendant purposely or knowingly caused bodily injury to Jane Doe, a partner.

7           DATED this 27th day of March, 2017.

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10 BRIAN LOWNEY  
11 Deputy County Attorney

12           Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_ day of March, 2017.

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14 JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

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16 JONATHAN P.L. STINEFORD, Missoula County Sheriff's Office  
17 ZACHARY SARGENT, Missoula County Sheriff's Office  
18 LOREN HOCHHALTER, Missoula County Sheriff's Office  
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1 Department. Deputies responded and met Jane Doe, who reported that the Defendant,  
2 her husband, had assaulted her several times over the past three (3) weeks. Deputies  
3 observed a very large bruise on Doe's left eye.  
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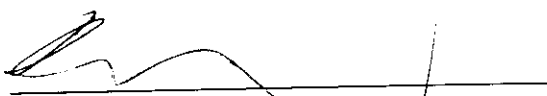
5 Doe detailed several recent assaults by the Defendant, the first of which occurred  
6 three (3) weeks prior at their home in Missoula County, MT. Doe indicated that the  
7 Defendant became upset with her during an argument and that he grabbed a small  
8 propane tank that was inside the house. Doe indicated that the Defendant then swung  
9 the propane bottle at her, hesitated about halfway through his swing, and then  
10 continued the swing with the propane bottle until it struck her in the left ankle. Doe  
11 indicated she felt "instantaneous pain" and that her "ankle hurt so bad that [she] couldn't  
12 put weight on it." Doe went to the hospital, where she was told she had a "cracked  
13 bone."  
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15 Doe detailed that the Defendant caused her black eye by hitting her with either  
16 his elbow or his fist during an argument sometime after he had hit her with the propane  
17 tank. Doe indicated that on March 23, 2017, the Defendant had kicked a fan into her  
18 leg, causing cuts and a bruise. Doe indicated that the day prior, March 24, 2017, the  
19 Defendant became upset with her and shoved her head into a wall, causing her pain.  
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22 Deputies spoke with Doe's 6 year old child, who indicated that the Defendant had  
23 caused Doe's black eye and that the Defendant had kicked the fan into Doe's shin,  
24 causing Doe to need "a Band-Aid but they were all out of Band-Aids."  
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26 Deputies spoke with the Defendant, who denied causing any injury to Doe. The  
27 Defendant has a Domestic Battery charge against Doe currently pending in Henderson,  
28 Nevada, based on an incident date in the Fall of 2016.

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BRIAN LOWNEY  
Deputy County Attorney

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this \_\_\_\_ day of March, 2017.

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ORDER

Upon reading the foregoing Affidavit, the Court finds that there is probable cause to believe the above-named Defendant committed the crimes charged.

DATED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017 at \_\_\_\_ a.m./p.m.

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JUSTICE OF THE PEACE