

THE STATE OF WASHINGTON,)
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 Plaintiff,)
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 v.) No. 21-1-00552-0 SEA
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 AARON DAVID PEARL,) INFORMATION
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 Defendant.)
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I, Daniel T. Satterberg, Prosecuting Attorney for King County in the name and by the authority of the State of Washington, do accuse AARON DAVID PEARL of the following crime[s]: **Robbery In The First Degree**, committed as follows:

Count 1 Robbery In The First Degree

That the defendant AARON DAVID PEARL in King County, Washington, on or about January 6, 2021, did unlawfully and with intent to commit theft take personal property of another, to-wit: a jacket and keys, from the person and in the presence of Michael Paul Van-de-Veire, against his will, by the use or threatened use of immediate force, violence and fear of injury to such person or his property and to the person or property of another, and in the commission of and in immediate flight therefrom, the defendant inflicted bodily injury on Michael Paul Van-de-Veire;

Contrary to RCW 9A.56.200(1)(a)(iii) and 9A.56.190, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Washington.

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CAUSE NO. 21-1-00552-0 SEA

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY CASE SUMMARY AND REQUEST FOR BAIL AND/OR
CONDITIONS OF RELEASE

The State incorporates by reference the Certification for Determination of Probable Cause prepared by Detective Dana N Lauer of the Seattle Police Department for case number 2021-004388.

Bail Request: The State requests the court set bail in the amount of \$100,000, as set by the district court. Pursuant to CrR 2.2(b)(2), there is reasonable cause to believe the defendant will commit a violent offense based on the following information:

Currently Charged Offense: According to the Certification for Determination of Probable Cause, the defendant followed the victim, pushed him down, beat him to semi-consciousness and took his wallet and keys. This was an unprovoked attack on a stranger. The victim was transported to the hospital for treatment and could not recall the incident, even though he called 911. Several witnesses observed the incident and came to the aid of the victim.

Prior offenses / criminal history: The defendant has felony convictions for Threats to Bomb (2018) and VUCSA (2003), and numerous misdemeanor convictions: Violation of a No Contact Order (2018, 2017); Telephone Harassment (2016); Malicious Mischief 3rd (2016); Assault 4th (2013, 2011, 2003 – DV, 1997); Physical Control (2011); VUCSA (2001); Fail to Notch Tag Inadvertent (1995); Driving Under the Influence (1994); Failure to Comply (1993); Harassment (1991); and Attempted Forgery (1991).

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2 Signed and dated by me this 11th day of January, 2021.
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King County

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Certification for Determination of Probable Cause**

That *Dana Lauer 6218* is a *Pol Ofcr-Detective-Homicide* with the *Seattle Police Department* and is familiar with the investigation conducted in *Seattle Police Department 2021-004388*. There is probable cause to believe that *PEARL, AARON DAVID, 12/20/1971* committed the crime(s) of:

- *Assault In The Second Degree (a - Substantial Bodily Harm)*, in *Seattle*; and
- *Investigation Robbery*, in *Seattle*

County of King, in the State of Washington.

This belief is predicated on the following facts and circumstances:

On January 6th, 2021 at approximately 1530 hours, Seattle Police Officers were dispatched to the area of 15th Avenue Northwest and Northwest Market Street, which is in the City of Seattle, County of King and State of Washington, for a report of a man following and harassing another man.

The caller, victim Van-De-Veire, could be heard on the 911-call telling someone to stop following him and telling the dispatcher that he was disobeying streetlights to get away from the man following him. During the call, the dispatcher was informing officers that the victim caller was breathing hard and then could be heard and yelling and the dispatcher could hear fighting in the background. Dispatch had updated Officers with a suspect description of a White Male, 40 years-of-age, 5 feet, 10 inches tall, black jacket, dirty jeans, gray stocking cap, light facial hair, last seen walking west bound on Market Street. Officers stopped a male matching that description, identified as: Aaron David Pearl. Post Miranda, Pearl admitted following Van-De-Veire from the Shilshole area. Pearl initially stated that Van-De-Veire was watching women and children, then he claimed he worked for Homeland security and it was an issue of communist vs. capitalist. Pearl told Officers he followed and punched Van-De-Veire in his jaw. Pearl described the incident as being, "Rather Hollywood" when Van-De-Veire went to the ground.

Other officers arrived, they located victim Van-De-Veire in the middle of the street in the lane of traffic, near the 1400 block of Northwest Market Street. Van-De-Veire was semi-conscious, non-coherent (Van-De-Veire could not recall what happened and was not able to squeeze officers' hands when asked) and was bleeding from his head.

Officers called for Seattle Fire Department who noted that Van-De-Veire's pupils were not equal and slow to react, Van-De-Veire was confused and he had a laceration on the top of his head. These symptoms were indicative of a closed head injury thus Van-De-Veire was transported to Swedish Ballard hospital for further treatment.

On January 7th, 2021, I located Van-De-Veire, he was still in the hospital at Swedish Hospital, on Cherry Hill. I spoke to him on the phone and he shared with me the following: he is continually having difficulty with amnesia, nausea and severe headache. Van-De-Veire has no recollection of the incident or why he was in Ballard. Van-De-Veire stated he recalls calling 911 because someone was following him, but he believed it was down by the railroad tracks. Van-De-Veire stated he did not know the person. Van-De-Veire stated he is missing his keys and jacket. Van-De-Veire stated he has a laceration on the top of his scalp which has required staples. The doctors have diagnosed him with a concussion. Van-De-Veire had a loss of consciousness at the time of assault for an unknown period.

At the time of the incident, there were several witnesses at the scene. By reviewing the Body Worn Video, I learned that witness M. St. Romain was sitting in a car and observed the victim on his phone walking, and then began to run. St. Romain stated the victim then dropped his belongings as he ran and the suspect picked up his pace, jogging after the victim, still following/chasing him. St. Romain then saw the man following the victim punch the victim several times and then the suspect returned to where the victim dropped his things and picked them up and took them. St. Romain took a photograph of the suspect as he sat in a parked car. St. Romain provided me with the photo, and it is a photo of the same man arrested, Aaron Pearl. St. Romain told officers at the scene that he could identify the suspect. Officers took St. Romain to a location they had a person detained two blocks away and St. Romain positively 100% certainty identified Pearl as the suspect that followed and punched/assaulted Van-De-Veire and took his belongings.

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At the time of booking, officers placed two backpacks into the evidence unit under "safe keeping" for Pearl. I called the Evidence Unit and had the two items change and placed into items of evidence until I could investigate the contents of the backpacks.

Another witness, V. Stone, was in her car at a stop light when the victim and suspect crossed the street behind her car and stopped in her blind spot in while she sat in her vehicle. Stone saw the disturbance happen and got out of her car and assisted the victim.

There were also three juvenile witnesses who were all together, S.W., B.H., and H.B. The following information was obtained from officer Caldwell's body worn video. The three girls stated that they observed the victim and the suspect on the corner of the intersection and saw the suspect push the victim. The victim then ran into the street and the suspect followed. They observed the suspect punch the victim in the face and grab his shirt (to hold him up, they believed the victim may have been unconscious) and punch him again, before the victim fell to the middle of the street. They stated the suspect punched the victim two or three times and then picked up his backpack and fled.

According NCIC/Triple I, Pearl is a two-time convicted felon.

Under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington, I certify that the foregoing is true and correct.
Signed and dated by me this 8 day of January, 2021, at Seattle, Washington.

This printout is from the King County Electronic Log of Detective Investigations (eLODI) system, where the above officer signed and transmitted this referral as permitted by GR 30 and LGR 30.

AGENCY: Seattle PD	WASPD0000	CASE NUMBER 2021-004388	FILE NUMBER H21-12	PCN NUMBER	SUPERFORM

ARREST INFORMATION		
DATE & TIME OF VIOLATION 1/8/2021 9:45 AM	CRIMINAL TRAFFIC CITATION ATTACHED? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	ACCOMPLICES
DATE OF ARREST/TIME 1/8/2021 9:45 AM	ARREST LOCATION /	

SUSPECT INFORMATION							
NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE/JR, SR, 1st, 2nd) PEARL, AARON DAVID		DOB 12/20/1971	ALIAS, NICKNAMES				
ARMED/DANGEROUS <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	IDENTITY IN DOUBT? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	CITIZENSHIP N/A					
PHYSICAL DETAILS							
SEX M	HEIGHT 511	WEIGHT 185	SKIN TONE LG1	RACE W	EYE BLU	HAIR BRO	SCARS, MARKS, TATTOOS, DEFORMITIES
IDENTIFICATION DETAILS							
CCN 1609336	PRIOR BA # 221000252	AFIS # 00420707	FBI # 222853NA1	STATE ID # WA15474735	DRIVER'S LICENSE #		STATE SSN
RESIDENCE				EMPLOYMENT / SCHOOL			
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS 5130 LEARY AV NW SEATTLE, WA 98107				EMPLOYER, SCHOOL (ADDRESS, SHOP/UNION NUMBER) /			
RESIDENCE PHONE				BUSINESS PHONE		OCCUPATION	
EMERGENCY CONTACT							
PERSON TO BE CONTACTED IN CASE OF EMERGENCY /			RELATIONSHIP		Address /		PHONE

CHARGE INFORMATION			
OFFENSE <input type="checkbox"/> DV <input type="checkbox"/> FUGITIVE F - Assault	RCW / ORD#	COURT / CAUSE # /	CITATION #
OFFENSE <input type="checkbox"/> DV <input type="checkbox"/> FUGITIVE F - Robbery	RCW / ORD#	COURT / CAUSE # /	CITATION #
OFFENSE <input type="checkbox"/> DV <input type="checkbox"/> FUGITIVE	RCW / ORD#	COURT / CAUSE #	CITATION #

WARRANT / OTHER				
WARRANT DATE	WARRANT NUMBER	OFFENSE	AMOUNT OF BAIL	WARRANT TYPE
ORIGINATING POLICE AGENCY		ISSUING AGENCY	WARRANT RELEASED TO: (SERIAL # / UNIT / DATE / TIME)	

PROPERTY INFORMATION		
LIST VALUABLE ITEMS OR PROPERTY LEFT FOR ARRESTEE AT JAIL		
LIST VALUABLE ITEMS OR PROPERTY ENTERED INTO EVIDENCE (SIMPLE DESCRIPTION, IDENTIFYING MARKS, SERIAL #)		
LIST ITEMS ENTERED INTO SAFEKEEPING		
TOTAL CASH OF ARRESTEE \$0.00	WAS CASH TAKEN INTO EVIDENCE? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO AMOUNT: \$0.00	SIGNATURE OF JAIL STAFF RECEIVING ITEMS / SERIAL #

OFFICER INFORMATION		
ARRESTING OFFICER / SERIAL # Lauer, Dana 6218	TRANSPORTING OFFICER / SERIAL # /	SUPERVISOR SIGNATURE / SERIAL # /
SUPERFORM COMPLETED BY (SIGNATURE/SERIAL #) Lauer, Dana		CONTACT PERSON FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (NAME/SERIAL#/PHONE) /

COURT FILE		
SUPERIOR COURT FILING INFO <input type="checkbox"/> IN CUSTODY <input type="checkbox"/> AT LARGE <input type="checkbox"/> OUT ON BOND	COURT CAUSE (STAMP OR WRITE)	
COURT/DIST. CT.NO.	DIST. CT. BOND \$	SUP. CT. DATE

EXTRADITE				
PERSON APPROVING EXTRADITION	SEAKING LOCAL ONLY WACIC-STATE WIDE <input type="checkbox"/>	NCIC WILL EXTRADITE FROM ID & OR ONLY <input type="checkbox"/>	NCIC WILL EXTRADITE FROM OR, ID, MT, WY, CA, NV, UT, CO, AZ, NM, HI, AK <input type="checkbox"/>	NCIC WILL EXTRADITE FROM FROM ALL 50 STATES <input type="checkbox"/>
E N T R Y	CCN _____ WAC _____ NCIC _____	DOE _____ TOE _____ OP _____	C L E A R A N C E	DOC _____ TOC _____ OP _____

PROBABLE CAUSE INFORMATION
STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE: NON-VUCSA