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MONTANA TWENTY-SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, CARBON COUNTY

STATE OF MONTANA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

DAVID MICHAEL WILLIAMSON,

Defendant

Cause No.: DC-5-2026-0000004-IN

Hon. Matthew J. Wald

**MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE
INFORMATION DIRECT**

COMES NOW Alex Nixon, duly appointed, qualified and acting County Attorney for Carbon County, being duly sworn, and moves the Court for an Order Granting Leave to File an Information Direct charging **DAVID MICHAEL WILLIAMSON (born in June of 1977)**, with the following crime:

BAIL JUMPING (FELONY)

(Punishable by up to 10 years in prison)

The alleged facts constituting the offense are:

That the defendant, **DAVID MICHAEL WILLIAMSON (born in June of 1977)**, after having been set at liberty by court order upon condition that he appear at a specified time and place, committed the offense of **Bail Jumping, a felony, in violation of § 45-7-308, MCA**, the Defendant purposely failed without lawful excuse to appear at the specified time and place, to wit: the Defendant after having been set at liberty by order of the Honorable Matthew J. Wald of the

1 22nd Judicial District Court, Carbon County on the condition that he make all court appearances,
2 purposely failed without lawful excuse to appear in the 22nd Judicial District Court, Carbon County
3 for his Arraignment on September 29, 2025, all of which is a violation of Section 45-7-308,
4 Montana Code Annotated, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Montana.

5 DATED this 18th day of February, 2026.

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**AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF MOTION
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STATE OF MONTANA)
 :SS.
County of Carbon)

COMES NOW **Alex Nixon**, and on oath deposes and says: That he is the duly appointed **County Attorney** for Carbon County in Red Lodge, Carbon County, Montana, and that he is informed and verily believes that **DAVID MICHAEL WILLIAMSON** committed the offense of **Bail Jumping, a felony, in violation of § 45-7-308, MCA**, committed as follows:

BAIL JUMPING – FELONY

On October 23, 2024, Honorable Matthew J. Wald issued a Warrant Of Arrest for \$25,000. On November 6, 2024, at the hour of 12:24 PM, in open court, there was no objection to continue the defendants Arraignment. The defendant was in Gallatin County Detention Facility at the time of this hearing and not present on zoom. On November 20, 2025, at 10:09 AM the defendant appeared via zoom for his arraignment from Gallatin County Detention

1 Facility. The defendant entered a not guilty plea in open court. Honorable Matthew J. Wald
2 signed a release order on this date, specifically stating that the defendant shall make all court
3 appearances and obey all laws.

4 On January 27, 2025, at 9:32 AM, before the court was a scheduled Omnibus Hearing.
5 The defendant's counsel was present, but the defendant was not. During a Trial Status Hearing
6 on March 5, 2025, counsel stipulated to vacating the Trial. On June 18, 2025, a Status Hearing
7 was set for June 25, 2025, at 10:00 AM. On this same date, Honorable Matthew J. Wald signed
8 an Order setting a Trial Status Hearing for August 13, 2025, and a Trial for September 15, 2025.
9 The Status Hearing set for June 25, 2025, was vacated.

10 On August 13, 2025, at 11:35 AM in open court, a Trial Status Hearing took place. The
11 defendant was not present with his counsel. Counsel stated that he was unable to reach the
12 defendant by phone. A Status Hearing was scheduled for August 18, 2025, at 9:00 AM. On
13 August 18, 2025, at 10:03 AM, counsel appears as well as the defendant. After discussion, an
14 Order Setting Final Pre-Trial Hearing scheduled for August 27, 2025, at 10:00 AM was signed.

15 On August 27, 2025, at 10:04 AM, counsel informed the court they plan on proceeding
16 with Trial. Counsel stipulated to Order Setting Hearing on Arraignment on Amended
17 Information and Final Pre Trial-Status report for September 10, 2025, at 1:30 PM.

18 On September 4, 2025, an Order was signed by Honorable Matthew J. Wald to vacate the
19 Jury Trial set for September 15-17, 2025. Defense had no objection to the continuance. An
20 Arraignment Hearing on the Amended Information was set for September 29, 2025, at 9:00 AM.
21 On September 10, 2025, in open court, counsel informed the court that parties have agreed to
24 continue the Arraignment on the Amended Information to September 29, 2025. The defendant

1 was not present. There was no objection in court to continue the Trial to December 3, 2025, and
2 Trial Status Hearing for October 29, 2025.

3 On September 15, 2025, Bridger Police Chief Buechler received information that the
4 Williamson residence appeared vacated. Chief Buechler did a routine patrol of the area and noted
5 that the residence appeared to be cleaned up. At the time of writing this affidavit, the defendant
6 has not returned to the home.

7 A Warrant Of Arrest was issued on September 29, 2025, as the defendant did not appear
8 for his Arraignment on the Amended Information of Assault on Minor, a felony, in violation 45-
9 5-212(2)(b), Mont. Code Ann., Assault with Weapons, three counts, felonies, in violation 45-5-
10 213(1)(b), Mont. Code Ann., Intimidation, a felony, in violation of 45-5-203(1)(a), Mont. Code
11 Ann., Strangulation of Partner or Family Member, a felony, in violation of 45-5-215(1)(a), Mont.
12 Code Ann., and Partner or Family Member Assault (third offense), a felony, in violation of 45-5-
13 206(1)(a), Mont. Code. Ann. Counsel did not have information to explain the defendant's
14 absence. Honorable Matthew J. Wald signed an Order Quashing Warrant of Arrest on October 2,
15 2205.

16 On October 2, 2025, Honorable Matthew J. Wald signed a Warrant of Arrest.

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18 The investigation continues.

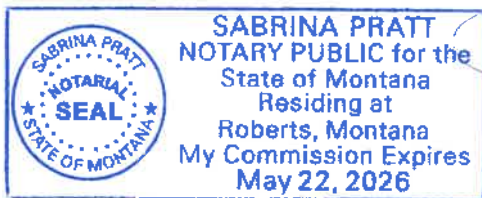
19 DATED this /8th day of February, 2026.

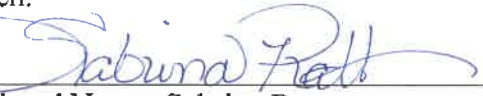
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1 STATE OF MONTANA)
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2 County of Carbon)

3 On the 18th day of February, 2026, before me, the undersigned Notary Public for the State
4 of Montana, personally appeared Alex Nixon, known to me to be the person whose name is
5 subscribed to the foregoing Affidavit and acknowledgment to me that he executed the same.

6 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Notarial Seal the
7 day and year in this certificate first above written.



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Printed Name: Sabrina Pratt
Notary Public for the State of Montana
Residing at: Roberts
My Commission expires: May 22, 2026