

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, MERCER COUNTY, OHIO  
CRIMINAL DIVISION

STATE OF OHIO,

CASE NO. 25-CRM-002

Plaintiff

VS.

NATHAN J. WATKINS  
637 Hoying Street  
Celina, OH 45822  
DOB: 1/14/1993  
SSN: XXX-XX-3610

**COMPLAINT**

Defendant.

**Count One**

**Strangulation - F4**

§2903.18(B)(3), 2903.18(C)(3)

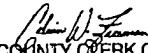
**Date of Offense**

On or about January 10, 2025

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Complainant being duly sworn states that Nathan J. Watkins, in Mercer County, Ohio, on or about January 10, 2025, unlawfully

did knowingly cause or create a substantial risk of physical harm to Victim # 1 by means of strangulation or suffocation.

FURTHERMORE, Victim # 1 is a family or household member, or is a person with whom Nathan J. Watkins is or was in a dating relationship

*The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.*

**Count Two**

**Domestic Violence - M1**

§2919.25(A), 2919.25(D)(2)

**Date of Offense**

On or about January 10, 2025

Complainant being duly sworn states that Nathan J. Watkins, in Mercer County, Ohio, on or about January 10, 2025, unlawfully

did knowingly cause or attempt to cause physical harm to Victim # 1, a family or household member.

*The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and*

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against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.



Patrolman Jeremy Kerr  
Celina Police Department

Sworn before me by Patrolman Jeremy Kerr, Celina Police Department, on this 13<sup>th</sup>  
day of January, 2025.

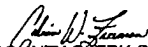


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**AFFIDAVIT ON COMPLAINT**  
**(O.R.C. 2935.09)**

STATE OF OHIO, MERCER COUNTY, SS:

I, Patrolman Jeremy Kerr, do hereby state that I am employed at the Celina Police Department. The following did occur:

On January 10, 2025, at approximately 6:51 P.M, Celina Officers were dispatched to a reported domestic violence incident at 637 Hoying Street, in the City of Celina, Mercer County, Ohio. A citizen that was outside heard the incident occurring inside the residence.

When I arrived, I saw a male that I know to be, Nathan Watkins, in front of 637 Hoying Street. I contacted Nathan and asked what was going on. Watkins said that he was just getting his belongings, so that he could leave. I asked him to remain with Sgt. Bartlett, while I went inside the home.

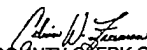
I went inside 637 Hoying and contacted a female I know to be Victim # 1, Watkin's girlfriend. Victim # 1 said that her and Watkins have been having relationship problems and got into an argument today. It escalated and while she was in the bathroom, he cornered her and wouldn't let her leave. Watkins grabbed her by the throat and slammed her against the wall. She got away and went into the living room. They continued to argue, and he grabbed her by the throat a second time and threw her onto a couch. She told him he needed to leave and went upstairs to gather his belongings.


I did see that Victim 1's neck was red all the way around her neck and upper shoulder area.

Watkins was placed under arrest and transported to the Mercer County Adult Detention Facility.


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