



**Ohio Attorney General's Office  
Bureau of Criminal Investigation  
Investigative Report**



2026-1239

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 31000 Block U.S. Route  
250, Uhrichsville, Ohio 44683, Harrison County

**Investigative Activity:** Arrest Warrant Obtained  
**Involves:** Michael Decker (S)  
**Activity Date:** 03/30/2026  
**Activity Location:** Harrison County Common Pleas Court – 100 West Market  
Street, Cadiz, OH 43907  
**Authoring Agent:** SA Joseph Lamping #184

**Narrative:**

On Monday, March 30, 2026, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Joe Lamping (Lamping) was tasked with the investigation and issuance of criminal charges against Michael Decker (Decker). Decker was an involved subject in two officer involved shootings who was at large in the Harrison County area. SA Lamping was informed by Harrison County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) Captain Thompson that all charges in the county are drafted by Harrison County Prosecutor Lauren Knight (Prosecutor Knight).

SA Lamping met with Prosecutor Knight and discussed the facts of the case with her. Based on the information available to investigators at that time, it was determined that the following charges would be drafted against Decker:

- Ohio Revised Code (ORC) 2923.02 (A) (E) 1, Attempted Murder, felony of the first degree
  - Based on Decker's attempt to shoot HCSO [REDACTED] on US 250
- ORC 2923.02 (A) and (D) and ORC 2923.02 (A)(E)(1) Attempted Murder, felony of the first degree
  - Based on Decker's attempt to shoot Ohio State Highway Patrol (OSHP) [REDACTED] on US 22
- ORC 2921.331 (B) and (C) (4) Failure to Comply with the Order of Signal of a Police Officer, felony of the third degree
  - Based on Decker fleeing from officers subsequent to the first officer involved shooting that took place on US 250
- ORC 2923.162 (A)(3) and (C)(2) Discharge of a Firearm on or Near Prohibited Premises, felony of the third degree
  - Based on Decker discharging his firearm at [REDACTED] while on/near US 250

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  - Based on Decker discharging his firearm at [REDACTED] while on/near US 22
- ORC 2923.13 (A)(3) and (B) Having Weapons While Under Disability, felony of the third degree
  - Based on Decker's possession of a firearm after being convicted of a qualifying offense placing him under disability

After the charges were drafted, SA Lamping took them to the Harrison County Courthouse where he met with a representative of the Clerk of Courts. He swore to the truthfulness of the charges and then met with the Honorable Judge T. Shawn Hervey who signed an arrest warrant for Decker.

SA Lamping transported the completed warrant packet to the HCSO dispatch center. The warrant was entered into LEADS and HCSO retained a copy of the charges. SA Lamping then returned to the scene on US 22.

Decker was located later in the evening, at which time an additional officer involved shooting occurred. Decker died subsequent to the third shooting. SA Lamping contacted the HCSO dispatch center and requested that the charges be removed from LEADS.

On Tuesday March 31, 2026, SA Lamping contacted Prosecutor Knight and discussed the recall of the warrant for Decker. She advised that as she drafted the charges she would arrange for the recall of the warrant.

A copy of the arrest warrant and charges brought against Decker were attached to this report where they can be reviewed in their entirety.

**References:**

None

**Attachments:**

1. 2026-03-30 - Decker Warrant Packet

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# HARRISON COUNTY COURT

**RETURN**

WARRANT ON COMPLAINT

State Of Ohio

**FILED**

Case No.: CRA 2600069

vs.

**HARRISON COUNTY COURT**

Judge T. Owen Beetham

Decker, Michael W  
2025 COMMERCIAL AVE  
MINGO JUNCTION OH 43938

**MAR 30 2026**

**T. OWEN BEETHAM JUDGE  
CADIZ OHIO**

TO: The Sheriff of Harrsion County, Greetings:

That the attached complaint has been filed with this Court charging the aforesaid Defendant with crime(s).

These therefore are to command you to take the said Defendant if found in your county, or, if not found in your county, that you pursue after him/her in any other county in this state, and take and safely keep Defendant for delivery forthwith before said Court.

Description of Defendant:

P.U.R: EXTRADICT INTERSTATE

D. O. B.: 06/03/1972

Weight:

Hair:

S. S. # : [REDACTED]

Height:

Eyes:

Sex: M

### SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS TO ARRESTING OFFICER:

This warrant was issued before a regularly scheduled initial appearance. In addition to the provisions of Criminal Rule 4 the following items marked by (X) apply:

- ( ) Defendant may be released upon the posting of bail bond in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ secured by suitable surety or ( ) by the deposit of 10% of the said amount in cash for his/her appearance in the aforesaid Court on the next available date.
- ( ) Defendant may forfeit fine and costs in the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and Defendant will not be required to appear in Court.
- ( X ) Judicial officer shall apply Criminal Rule 46.

Witness my signature and the seal of said Court on Mar 30, 2026 .

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
T. SHAWN HERVEY, JUDGE  
SITTING BY ASSIGNMENT

Original to: Harrison Co. Sheriff's Office

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RETURN OF SERVICE OF WARRANT

Received this writ on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
, and I executed the same by taking said \_\_\_\_\_  
into custody on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_ M.  
And upon posting recognizance \_\_\_\_\_ or bond in the amount  
of \_\_\_\_\_ was released.

FEEES

SERVICE		\$	_____
MILES	(_____)	\$	_____
TOTAL		\$	_____

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Officer Serving Writ

HARRISON COUNTY COURT  
CADIZ, OHIO

STATE OF OHIO

Case No. CRA 20260019

vs.

MICHAEL W. DECKER  
2025 Commercial Ave.  
Mingo Junction, Ohio 43938  
DOB: 06/03/1972  
SSN: [REDACTED]

FILED  
HARRISON COUNTY COURT

MAR 30 2026

T. OWEN BEETHAM JUDGE  
CADIZ OHIO

COMPLAINT

COUNT A

Complainant being duly sworn states that MICHAEL DECKER, at Harrison County, Ohio, on or about March 30, 2026, did attempt to purposely cause the death of another, To Wit: [REDACTED] *in violation of Section 2903.02 (A) and (D) and 2923.02 (A)(E)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code, ATTEMPTED MURDER*, a Felony of the First Degree.

COUNT B

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COUNT C

Complainant being duly sworn states that MICHAEL DECKER, at Harrison County, Ohio, on or about March 30, 2026, did operate a motor vehicle, as defined in section 4501.01 of the Revised Code, so as willfully to elude or flee a police officer after receiving a visible or audible signal from a police officer to bring the person's motor vehicle to a stop and the operation of the motor vehicle caused substantial risk of serious physical harm to persons or property, *in violation of Section 2921.331 (B) and (C)(4) of the Ohio Revised Code, FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE ORDER OR SIGNAL OF A POLICE OFFICER*, a Felony of the Third Degree.

COUNT D

Complainant being duly sworn states that MICHAEL DECKER, at Harrison County, Ohio, on or about March 30, 2026, did discharge a firearm upon or over a public road or highway, to wit: State Route 250, and the violation caused a substantial risk of serious physical harm to any person, *in violation of Section 2923.162 (A)(3) and (C)(2) of the Ohio Revised Code, DISCHARGE OF A FIREARM ON OR NEAR PROHIBITED PREMISES*, a Felony of the Third Degree.

COUNT E


Complainant being duly sworn states that MICHAEL DECKER, at Harrison County, Ohio, on or about March 30, 2026, did discharge a firearm upon or over a public road or highway,



to wit: State Route 22, and the violation caused a substantial risk of serious physical harm to any person, *in violation of Section 2923.162 (A)(3) and (C)(2) of the Ohio Revised Code, DISCHARGE OF A FIREARM ON OR NEAR PROHIBITED PREMISES*, a Felony of the Third Degree.

**COUNT F**

Complainant being duly sworn states that MICHAEL DECKER, at Harrison County, Ohio, on or about March 30, 2026, did, knowingly acquire, have, carry, or use a firearm or dangerous ordnance and Michael Wade Decker, was convicted of a felony offense involving the illegal possession, use, sale, administration, distribution, or trafficking in any drug of abuse, to wit: on or about April 24, 1997, in the Summit County Court of Common Pleas, Summit County, Akron, Ohio, Possession of Cocaine in violation of 2925.11, a Felony of the Fifth Degree Case No. CR-1997-03-0529, *in violation of Section 2923.13(A)(3) and (B) of the Ohio Revised Code, HAVING WEAPONS WHILE UNDER DISABILITY*, a Felony of the Third Degree.

  
Ohio Attorney General, Bureau of Criminal  
Investigation  
Complainant

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 30 day of March 2026.

  
~~Judge - Clerk - Deputy Clerk - County Clerk  
or Notary Public~~

**SUMMONS (Rule 4 and 9)**

You are hereby summoned and ordered to appear at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock

\_\_\_\_\_m. on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, in this Court.

If you fail to appear at the time and place stated above, you may be arrested.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge - Clerk - Deputy Clerk - County Clerk

**WARRANT TO ARREST (Rule 4)**

To Sheriff:

You are ordered to arrest \_\_\_\_\_ and bring him before the Court without unnecessary delay. You may not issue summons in lieu of arrest under Rule 4 (A) (2) or issue summons after arrest under Rule 4 (F).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge - Clerk - Deputy Clerk - County Court

**RETURN OF SERVICE OF SUMMONS**

I received this summons on \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_m. and made personal service of it upon \_\_\_\_\_ locating him/her and tendering a copy of summons and accompanying documents on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sheriff of Harrison County

by: \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy

**RETURN OF SERVICE OF SUMMONS (FAILURE OF SERVICE)**

I RECEIVED THIS (WARRANT - SUMMONS) on \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_m. on \_\_\_\_\_ with instructions to make personal - residence service upon the defendant \_\_\_\_\_ and I was unable to serve a copy of the summons upon him/her for the following reason(s):

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sheriff of Harrison County

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