



A Kansas woman was charged with giving weapons to Cedric Ford, the gunman who was responsible for the mass shooting at a lawn mower parts plant on Thursday.

Ford's ex-girlfriend Sarah Jo Hopkins, 28, was charged with transfer of a firearm to a prohibited person on Friday. An affidavit states that she transferred a Zastava Serbia AK-47 and a Glock Model 22 .40-caliber handgun to Ford while knowing he was a convicted felon.

The weapons were the same ones used when Ford shot 17 people at Excel industries before being killed in a shootout with police on Thursday.

Hopkins told the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives she bought the guns at a pawn shop in 2014 and kept them at a home she and Ford shared for a period of time. She then moved out of the shared residence in July 2015 and left the guns with Ford, despite being aware of his criminal history.

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