

AFFIDAVIT

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State Of Alabama, }  
Baldwin County. }

In the Justice Court of T. C. HAND

Before me, T. C. HAND, Justice of the Peace

in and for said County, personally appeared Taylor Wilkins who, being  
duly sworn, deposes and says on oath that he has probable cause for believing and does believe that in said County,

on or about 18 Jan 1953 that one James E. Cook  
was observed in the Commission of a  
felony in the murder of Tommy Lee Kendrick

against the peace and dignity of the State of Alabama

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 18

day of Jan 1953, A. D., 19

T. C. HAND, J. P.

Taylor Wilkins

WARRANT

State Of Alabama, }  
Baldwin County. }

To Any Lawful Officer of Said County, Greetings:

You are hereby commanded to arrest James E. Cook and bring him

before me to answer the State of Alabama on a charge

accusatory to murder.

and have you then and there this writ with your return thereon

Witness my hand this 18 day of Jan, 1953

T. C. HAND, J. P.

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**The State of Alabama,**  
Baldwin County

Justice Court of

T. C. HAND

**AFFIDAVIT**

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
VS.

*James Earle*

Witnesses for the State:

*Taylor Wilkins*  
*W. D. Taylor*  
*Pete Sellers*  
*Nelson Grubbs*

Justice Court of

Baldwin County

**WARRANT OF ARREST**

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
VS.

*James Earle*

Executed this 18 day of Jan 1953

By arresting the within

named Defendant

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

and placing him

*In Jail*  
*Taylor Wilkins*, Sheriff

\_\_\_\_\_, Deputy Sheriff  
*BB Little River 780 mi*

4151

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
Baldwin County

Justice Court of T. C. HAND

Precinct 4,

Bay Minette, Ala.

To Any Sheriff of the State of Alabama:

You are hereby Commanded to Summon

*Junior Weaver, M. P. Cross, Dorsey, Willie, Will Mc Donald, Louis Mc Donald, Jim Dees, Casey Dees, Junior French (Red), Joe Robbins, Charles Feilley*

personally to be and appear before the Justice Court, to be holden for Baldwin County, at my office on the

*3* day of *Feb* *9 A.M.*, 19*53*, and from day to day of said term, and from term to term thereafter, until discharged, to give evidence and the truth to speak in behalf of THE STATE, in a prosecution now pending in said Court, wherein the State of Alabama is plaintiff and

*James Earle* Defendant, and have you then and there this Writ, with your endorsement thereon.

Witness my hand this *30* day of *Jan*A. D. 19*53*

Justice of the Peace, Precinct 4

4151

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
Baldwin County

Justice Court of T. C. HAND

Precinct 4,

Bay Minette, Ala.

To Any Sheriff of the State of Alabama:

You are hereby Commanded to Summon

*Lyda Wilkins, W. D. Taylor, Pete Sellers, Dr Nelson Grubbe, L. B. Benjamin, Mrs. L. B. Benjamin*

personally to be and appear before the Justice Court, to be holden for Baldwin County, at my office on the

*3* day of *Feb* *9 A.M.*, 19*53*, and from day to day of said term, and from term to term thereafter, until discharged, to give evidence and the truth to speak in behalf of THE STATE, in a prosecution now pending in said Court, wherein the State of Alabama is plaintiff and

*James Earle* Defendant, and have you then and there this Writ, with your endorsement thereon.

Witness my hand this *30* day of *Jan*A. D., 19*53*

Justice of the Peace, Precinct 4

Executed in full, this the

31 day of  
Jan, 1953

Taylor Wilkins  
Sheriff.  
W F Hall  
Deputy Sheriff.

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Executed in full, this the

30 day of  
Jan, 1953

Taylor Wilkins  
Sheriff.  
W F Hall  
Deputy Sheriff.

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WITNESSES FOR THE STATE

Junior Weaver  
M. P. Brown  
Dorsey Lee Williams  
Willie Cook  
Will McDonald  
Louis McDonald  
Ruby Bell-Grive *Ruthie Bell Grive*  
Jim Dees  
Essex Dees  
Junior French (Red)  
Joe Robbins  
Charles Finley  
Jab Crenshaw  
Taylor Wilkins  
W. D. Taylor  
Pete Sellers  
Dr. Nelson Grubbs  
L. B. Benjamin  
Mrs. L. B. Benjamin

## STATE OF ALABAMA

Baldwin County

Case No.

No. 4060

The State of Alabama  
vs.In the Court of  
Baldwin County, AlabamaBefore me, Clerk of the Court of  
Baldwin County, Alabama, personally appeared Taylor Wilkins, who being duly sworn deposes and says:

I am the Sheriff of Baldwin County, Alabama. In the above case, in the above mentioned court, in executing the warrant of arrest or in arresting the said defendant, I or one of my duly authorized deputies, traveled 50 miles by the most direct route to the point of arrest and return, and I am entitled to mileage at ten cents per mile to be taxed as costs in the case.

Point of arrest

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28 day of 1957

Disposition Clerk Circuit Court

After considering the above affidavit made by the Sheriff of Baldwin County, Alabama, I, as the trial Judge of said court, do hereby approve the claim for mileage in the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ incurred in the making of the arrest or executing the warrant of arrest in the above styled cause and I hereby order the clerk of the court to tax the said sum as part of the costs in said case.

This the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1957

Judge of the above named court

# Transcript of Criminal Cases from Justice Court of Baldwin County, Ala.

Attorneys	Case	Charge
	THE STATE OF ALABAMA,	
No. 14151	Vs.	
	James Earl.	Accessory to murder.

Disposition of Case	Fees	Amount
Affidavit made and Warrant Issued to Taylor Wilkins.	Judge's Fees	
Returnable Grand jury.	Warrant at 50c, Affidavit at 25c	25
Witness—for State Junior Weaver, W. P. Brown,	Bond at 50c, Sci Fa at 50c	
Essey Williams, Willie Cook, Will McDonald,	Witnesses' Recognizances at 25c	
Ruthie Bell Clif, Jim Lee, Essey Lee,	19 Subpoena or notice at 25c	4.75
Junior French (Red), Joe Rattins,	Continuance at 25c	
Charles Finley, W. C. Crenshaw, Taylor Wilkins,	Trial of Misdemeanor at \$1.00	
W. D. Taylor, Pete Selley, Dr. Wilson Grubbs,	Mittimus at 25c	25
L. B. Benjamin, Mrs L. B. Benjamin.	Judgment on Forfeited Bond at 25c	
	Taking Bond, etc, on Appeal at \$1.00	
	Execution of costs at 25c	
	Constable's Fees	
	Subpoena or Notice at 25c	
	Carrying Defendant before Justice	
	each mile for himself and guard at 10c	
	Arrest 50c	
	Sheriff's Fees	
	Arrest \$2.00 Bond, \$1.00, Sci Fa 50c	5.00
	Committing \$1.00, Releasing \$1.00	2.00
	Subpoenas at 25c	
	Day's Board at 30c	9.50
	Witness Fees 80 m.	8.00
	Days at 50c	
	" 50c	
	" 50c	
	" 50c	
	" 50c	
	" 50c	
	" 50c	
	" 50c	
	DEFENDANT'S COSTS	
	Witnesses' Recognizance at 25c	
	Subpoenas at 25c	
	Executing Subpoenas	

C. J. Land.  
Justice of Peace.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }  
Baldwin County

We, James Earle, as  
principal, and undersigned as sureties, agree to pay THE STATE OF ALABAMA, the sum of  
Seven Hundred + Fifty DOLLARS  
unless the said James Earle appears at the  
next Term, 195 3 of the Grand Jury Court of Baldwin County, Alabama  
and from term to term thereafter until discharged by law, to answer a criminal prosecution for the offense  
of Material Witness

We hereby waive as to all amounts that may become due hereunder the benefit of all laws exempt-  
ing personal property from levy and sale under execution or other process for the collection of debt by con-  
stitution or laws of the State of Alabama, and we hereby severally certify that we have property over  
and above all debts, liabilities, exemptions and this bond to the amount of: real property of the value of  
\$2,000.00 and personal property of the value of \$1,000.00.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the

----- day of -----, 195-----

----- Baldwin County, Ala.

Taken and approved this the ----- day of ----- 195-----

3rd day of Feb - 1953

James Earle L. S.  
Walter Marshall Hollinger L. S.  
W. H. Marshall L. S.  
Robert E. York L. S.

Chas. B. [unclear] Sheriff  
By James W. [unclear] Deputy Sheriff



Grand Jury  
m. 7 E

Case No. 4157 439

Justice Court of

T. C. HAND

Bay Minette, Ala.

The State

VS.

James Earle

CHARGE:

750

accessory to  
Murder

DISPOSITION:

wanted to Grand Jury.  
Bond \$750.00  
by State Bond  
3 Feb 53.