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THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }

BALDWIN COUNTY

To Any Sheriff of the State of Alabama:

Justice Court of W. Hand

Precinct No. 4, Bay Minette Ala.

You Are Hereby Commanded to Summon

P. J. Wright, J. E. Gooden, J. E. Gaston,  
Johnnie Mc Daniels, Hollis Lewis, Bill Funk, Billy Malone

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

29th day of Oct. 4 P.M. 1957. 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 DEFENDANT in a prosecution now pending in said Court, wherein the State of Alabama is Plaintiff, and

Robert Ball Defendant, and have you then and there this Writ, with your endorsement thereon.

Witness my hand this 26 day of Oct. 1957.

D. J. Lewis

NOTARY PUBLIC AND EX-OFFICIO J. P.

Executed in full, this the

27 day of

oct, 1957

Taylor Wilkins  
Sheriff.

W. G. Gentry  
Deputy Sheriff

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }

BALDWIN COUNTY

To Any Sheriff of the State of Alabama:

Justice Court of Upland

Precinct No 4, Bay Minette Ala.

You Are Hereby Commanded to Summon Dr. W.C. Mason, R. B. Sawyer,

Emmett Stokes, Nancy Crawford, Jack Ponder, Kirby Wharton

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

29th day of Oct. 4 P.M. 1957

term and from term to term thereafter until discharged; to give evidence and the truth to speak in behalf of

THE DEFENDANT in a prosecution now pending in said Court, wherein the State of Alabama is Plain-  
tiff, and Robert Sell

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

Witness my hand this 26 day of Oct. 1957

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NOTARY PUBLIC AND EX-OFFICIO J. P.

Executed in full, this the

27 day of

Oct, 1957

George Wilkins  
Sheriff.

George G. Galt  
Deputy Sheriff

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }

BALDWIN COUNTY

To Any Sheriff of the State of Alabama:

Justice Court of

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Precinct No

*4*

*Bay Minette*

Ala.

You Are Hereby Commanded to Summon

*Mrs. Minnie Moore, G.E. Perkins*

*Dr. C. G. Goddard, J. J. Klump, Harold McCain, Dan Brown*

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

*29th*

day of *Oct.*

*4 P.M.*

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term and from term to term thereafter until discharged; to give evidence and the truth to speak in behalf of THE DEFENDANT in a prosecution now pending in said Court, wherein the State of Alabama is Plaintiff, and

*Robert Bell*

Defendant, and have you then and there this Writ, with

your endorsement thereon.

Witness my hand this

*26*

day of

*Oct.*

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*T. L. Lard*

NOTARY PUBLIC AND EX-OFFICIO J.P.

Executed in full, this the

27 day of

oct, 1951

Taylor Wilkins  
Sheriff.

W F Hall  
Deputy Sheriff

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STATE OF ALABAMA  
VS.  
ROBERT BELL

IN THE  
CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.  
AT LAW. CRIMINAL SIDE

No. 1421

ORDER DISCHARGING DEFENDANT:

It being made to appear to the Court that the defendant in the above entitled cause, Robert Bell, has satisfactorily fulfilled all conditions of the order of probation and suspension of execution of sentence made in his case on the 3rd day of October, 1953;

IT IS, THEREFOR, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Court that the said Defendant, Robert Bell, be and is hereby discharged.

The Clerk will enter this order on the minutes of the Court.

Dated this 24th day of January, 1957.

*Robert M. Hae*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge, 26th Judicial Circuit of Alabama.

**FILED**  
JAN 30 1957  
ALICE L. DUCK, Clerk

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PETITION

STATE OF ALABAMA	∅	IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
PLAINTIFF	∅	BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA,
VS	∅	AT LAW ° CRIMINAL SIDE
ROBERT BELL	∅	NO. 1421
DEFENDANT	∅	

TO THE HONORABLE HUBERT M. HALL, JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA:

Comes now your Petitioner and shows unto the Court as follows:

That on October 3, 1953, your Petitioner, Robert Bell, was tried in this Court for Murder in the second degree; that he was found guilty of Manslaughter in the first degree and was sentenced on the same date to an eight year term; that his sentence was suspended and he was placed on probation.

Your Petitioner further shows unto Your Honor that he has been on probation since the aforesaid date and has complied fully with all it's conditions and mandates.

Your Petitioner respectfully prays that Your Honor will cause the Probation Officer of this Court to investigate the background of your petitioner and of his cause. Cause him to investigate the home life of your petitioner and make inquiries in the communities where he lives to determine whether he deserves having his suspended sentence terminated at this time.

Your Petitioner further prays that: after this investigation is made, if it be favorable, Your Honor will by appropriate orders and decrees declare your Petitioner's suspended sentence to be ended and his period of probation forthwith terminated.

Robert Bell  
Petitioner

I have read the foregoing petition and find it to be true and correct in all its terms.

Robert Bell  
Petitioner.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the 15 day of Aug, 1955.

Hubert M. Brantley  
Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama

STATE OF ALABAMA

PLAINTIFF

VS

ROBERT BELL

DEFENDANT

RETURN

FILED  
AUG 15 1955  
ALICE J. DUCK, Clerk

*[Handwritten signatures and notes in the bottom right corner, including a signature that appears to be "Alice J. Duck" and some illegible scribbles.]*

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SHERIFF'S APPEARANCE BOND

Moore Printing Co.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA }  
Baldwin County

We, Robert Bell, as principal, and undersigned as sureties, agree to pay THE STATE OF ALABAMA, the sum of Two Thousand DOLLARS unless the said Robert Bell appear at the Next Term, 1952 of the Circuit Court, of Baldwin County, Alabama, and from term to term thereafter until discharged by law, to answer a criminal prosecution for the offense of Murder

We hereby waive as to all amounts that may become due hereunder the benefit of all laws exempting personal property from levy and sale under execution or other process for the collection of debt by constitution 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 \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, Baldwin County, Ala.

Robert Bell (Seal)  
J. Chordant (Seal)  
Ellamae Robinson (Seal)  
Flora Bell (Seal)

Taken and approved this the 28 day of March, 1952  
Jaylor Wilkins, Sheriff  
By W. W. Taylor, Deputy Sheriff

No. ....

THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY

\_\_\_\_\_ COURT

Sheriff's Office

THE STATE  
VS.

Sheriff's Appearance Bond

Amount of Bond, \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Filed \_\_\_\_\_, 19 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, Clerk

INDICTMENT

THE STATE OF ALABAMA }  
Baldwin County.

Circuit Court, Spring Session, 1952

The Grand Jury of said County charge that before the finding of this indictment Robert Bell, whose name is to the Grand Jury otherwise unknown, unlawfully, and with malice aforethought, killed Fonville Cox, Alias Connie Cox, by shooting him with a shotgun, but without premeditation or deliberation,

against the peace and dignity of the State of Alabama.

WILLIAM R. LAUTEN  
Solicitor of the Twenty-Eighth Judicial Circuit.

RECORDED

No. ....

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,

BALDWIN COUNTY

Circuit Court

Spring Session, 19 52

THE STATE

Vs.

ROBERT BELL

INDICTMENT

Murder, 2nd Degree

No Prosecutor.

WITNESSES:

- Leo Don Cox
- H. F. Hall
- George Hartley
- Floyd Phillips
- W. C. Funk
- E. Newell
- Nelson Grubbs
- Adolph Burden
- Rose Buchanon
- Ella Douglas
- Sam Douglas

GRAND JURY NO. 3

A TRUE BILL

W. R. Lapscomb Foreman Grand Jury.

Filed in open Court and in the presence of the Grand Jury on the 26th day of March, 1952.

Cliff Newell, Clerk

Presented in open Court to the presiding Judge by the Foreman of the Grand Jury, in

the presence of 17 other Grand Jurors.

Cliff Newell, Clerk.

Bail fixed \$2000.00

Jeffery M. Maslow, Jr. Judge.

*We the jury find the defendant guilty of manslaughter in the first degree and so charges in the indictment as I year for his punishment in the punishment R. F. Long Foreman*

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STATE OF ALABAMA }  
BALDWIN COUNTY }

N<sup>o</sup> 2862

Case No. 2343  
The State of Alabama  
vs.

IN THE Justice COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

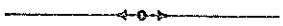
*Robert Bell*  
Before me, *J. M. [unclear]*, Clerk of the Circuit Court of  
Baldwin County, Alabama, personally appeared *[unclear]*  
who being duly sworn deposes and says:

I am the Sheriff of Baldwin County, Alabama. In the case of the State of Alabama vs. *[unclear]*  
*Robert Bell* 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 *10* 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 *[unclear]* Sheriff *Jaylo Wilkins*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *16* day of *Oct* 195*1*

Disposition of Case \_\_\_\_\_  
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 \_\_\_\_\_, 195 \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge of the above named court

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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 14 October, 1951 that one Robert Bell  
Unlawfully, and with malice aforethought, killed Fondille Cox by  
shooting him with a shotgun.

against the peace and dignity of the State of Alabama

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 14

day of October A. D., 1951

*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 Robert Bell

and bring him  
before me to answer the State of Alabama on a charge

Murder

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

Witness my hand this 14 day of October, 1951

*T. C. Hand*, J. P.



No. 2343

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**The State of Alabama,**  
Baldwin County

JUSTICE COURT OF  
T. C. HAND

**AFFIDAVIT**

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
vs.

ROBERT BELL

Witnesses for the State :

H. F. Hall

George Hartley

*Floyd* Phillips

Justice Court Of  
Baldwin County

**WARRANT of ARREST**

The State of Alabama,  
vs.

ROBERT BELL

Executed this 14 day of Oct 1957

By arresting the within

named Defendant

Robert Bell

and placing him

in jail

J. W. Wilk, Sheriff

Deputy Sheriff

Fairhope 70 mi.

CAPIAS

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, } To Any Sheriff of the State of Alabama:  
Baldwin County

An indictment having been found against

Robert Bell

at the Spring Term, 1952, of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, for the offense of

Murder, 2nd Degree

you are, therefore, commanded forthwith to arrest the said Defendant and commit him

to jail, unless he give bail to answer said indictment, and that you return this Writ according to law.

Dated this 27th day of March, 1952

Eric H. ...  
Clerk Circuit Court of Baldwin County.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA }  
Baldwin County

We, \_\_\_\_\_, as principal and

the other undersigned as sureties, agree to pay the State of Alabama \_\_\_\_\_

Dollars, unless the said \_\_\_\_\_ appears

at the \_\_\_\_\_ Term of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, and from Term to

Term thereafter until discharged by law, to answer a criminal prosecution for the offense of \_\_\_\_\_

In signing the above bond we and each of us hereby waive all legal rights of exemptions allowed us by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Alabama.

Witness our hands and seals this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_ (L. S.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ (L. S.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ (L. S.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ (L. S.)

Taken and approved \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sheriff of Baldwin County.

**CAPIAS**

No. 3

THE STATE

vs.

Robert Bell

Bail Fixed in This Case in Open Court at

\$ 2000<sup>00</sup>

By Walter J. Mashburn  
Judge Presiding.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk.

Executed this 28 day of March, 1952

By arresting the within

named Defendant

Robert Bell

and placing him \_\_\_\_\_

in Jail

Jay Lovell Williams, Sheriff

Alvin S. Steadman, Deputy Sheriff

Fairhope

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA, {

Justice Court of T. C. HAND

Baldwin County

Precinct No. 4

Bay Minette, Ala.

To Any Sheriff of the State of Alabama:

You are Hereby Commanded to Summon

*N. J. Hall, Adolphus Gunden CM*

*George Hartley, Floyd Phillips*  
personally to be and appear before the Justice Court, to be holden for Baldwin County, at my office on the

*29* day of *Oct*

, 195-*1*, 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

*Robert Bell*

Defendant, and have you then and

there this Writ, with your endorsement thereon.

Witness my hand this

*14*

day of

*Oct*

, A.D., 195-*1*

*T. C. Hand*

Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 4

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Executed in full, this the

20 — day of

oct, 195 /

Raymond Wilkins  
Sheriff

George J. [unclear]  
Deputy Sheriff

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

ATTORNEYS	CASE	CHARGE
No. 2243	THE STATE OF ALABAMA Vs. Robert Bell	Murder.

DISPOSITION OF CASE	FEES	AMOUNT
Affidavit made and Warrant Issued to <i>Jaylen Wilkins</i> Returnable	<b>JUDGE'S FEES</b> Warrant at 50c, Affidavit at 25c	75
Witness—For State <i>H. F. Hall, George Hartley, Floyd Phillips.</i>	22 Subpoena or Notice at 25c Continuance at 25c	5.50
<i>24 Oct 51. After hearing evidence in case and arguments was advanced by def. attorney that there was no evidence presented to show that Fondille was actually the man killed. Def. was released w/out bond.</i>	Trial of Misdemeanor at \$1.00 Mittimus at 25c	25
	Judgment on Forfeited Bond at 25c Taking Bond, etc., on Appeal at \$1.00 Execution of costs at 25c	
	<b>CONSTABLE'S FEES</b> Subpoena or Notice at 25c Carrying Defendant before Justice, each mile for himself and guard at 10c Arrest, 50c	
	<b>SHERIFF'S FEES</b> Arrest, \$1.00; Bond \$1.00; Sci. Fa., 50c <i>Subpoena, \$1.00; Releasing, \$1.00</i>	4.00 2.10
	Subpoenas at 25c Day's Board at 30c <b>WITNESS FEES</b> Days at 50c " 50c " 50c " 50c " 50c " 50c " 50c	50 50 50
	<b>DEFENDANT'S COSTS</b> Witnesses' Recognizance at 25c Subpoenas at 25c Executing Subpoenas	

*J. J. [Signature]*

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