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INDICTMENT

THE STATE OF ALABAMA }  
Baldwin County.

Circuit Court, Spring Session, 1953

The Grand Jury of said County charge that before the finding of this indictment NORMAN ARM-  
STRONG, whose name is to the Grand Jury otherwise unknown, unlawfully and with  
malice aforethought, did assault John Knight, with the intent to murder him,

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 53

THE STATE

Vs.

NORMAN ARMSTRONG

INDICTMENT

Assault with intent to murder

No Prosecutor.

WITNESSES:

John Knight

B. D. Cobb

GRAND JURY NO. 60

A TRUE BILL

*Robert E. Stapleton*  
Foreman Grand Jury.

Filed in open Court and in the presence of  
the Grand Jury on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of  
March, 1953.

*Alvin J. ...* Clerk

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

the presence of 17 other Grand Jurors.

*Alvin J. ...* Clerk.

Bail fixed \$1000<sup>00</sup>

*1 ...*

Judge.

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**CAPIAS**

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA }  
Baldwin County }

To Any Sheriff of the State of Alabama:

An indictment having been found against

NORMAN ARMSTRONG

at the Spring Term, 1953, of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, for the offense of

Assault With Intent To Murder

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 12th day of March, 1953.

*Alvin J. ...*  
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.

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**CAPIAS**

No. 60

THE STATE

vs.

**NORMAN ARMSTRONG**

Bail Fixed in This Case in Open Court at

\$1000<sup>00</sup>

By Hubert M. Hall  
Judge Presiding.

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

Executed this 14 day of March, 1953

By arresting the within

named Defendant

and placing him in jail

Ray B. Melvin, Sheriff

W. F. Hall, Deputy Sheriff

Foley

Appearance Bond

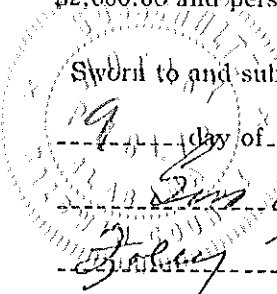
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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
Baldwin County

We, Norman Armstrong, as principal, and undersigned as sureties, agree to pay THE STATE OF ALABAMA, the sum of One Thousand DOLLARS unless the said Norman Armstrong appears at the Dec 17 Term, 1952 of the Justice Howell Court of Baldwin County, Alabama and from term to term thereafter until discharged by law, to answer a criminal prosecution for the offense of Assault with intent to 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

19 day of Dec, 1952

Wm Belcher

July Baldwin County, Ala.

Norman Armstrong L. S.

E. B. Rogers L. S.

J. J. [Signature] L. S.

[Signature] L. S.

Taken and approved this the 9th day of Dec 1952

\_\_\_\_\_, Sheriff

By \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy Sheriff

No. \_\_\_\_\_

The State of Alabama,  
Baldwin County.

\_\_\_\_\_ Court

Sheriff's Office

THE STATE  
VS.

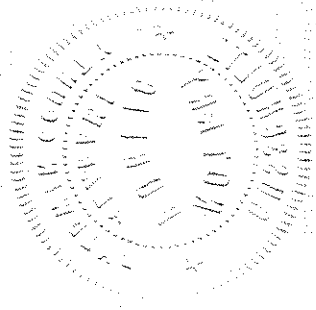
*Norman Armstrong*

Sheriff's Appearance Bond

Amount of Bond, \$1000<sup>00</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

Filed \_\_\_\_\_, 195\_\_\_\_\_

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



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*1 Miller*

Judge.

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STATE OF ALABAMA

Baldwin County

Case No.

*Howell*

No.

3938

The State of Alabama

vs.

In the

*Justice*

Court of

Baldwin County, Alabama

Before me, *M. L. Howell*, Clerk of the *Justice* 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 *73* 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

*Tally*

Sheriff

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

*10*

day of

*Dec*

195*2*

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

*11*

day of

*Dec*

195

*2*

*M. L. Howell*

Judge of the above named court



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STATE OF ALABAMA

Baldwin County

Case No.

*Copied to* No. **4168**

The State of Alabama

vs.

In the

*Cir* Court of  
Baldwin County, Alabama

Before me, *W. W. [Signature]*, Clerk of the *Cir* 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 *72* 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 *July* Sheriff *[Signature]*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *16* day of *March* 195*3*

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 \_\_\_\_\_ 195 \_\_\_\_\_

Judge of the above named court

Appearance Bond

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Moore Printing Co., Bay Minette, Ala.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }  
BALDWIN COUNTY

We, Norman Armstrong, as principal and  
the undersigned John J. Lewis and E. F. Sanders  
as sureties, agree to pay to the State of Alabama, the sum of ONE THOUSAND & 00/100 DOLLARS  
unless the said Norman Armstrong appears at the  
Next Term, 1953 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 Assault with intent to murder

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.

Witness For myself Norman Armstrong L. S.  
John J. Lewis L. S.  
E. F. Sanders L. S.

Taken and approved this the 17th day of December 1952

M. C. Howell J. P.

By \_\_\_\_\_, Constable

No. ....

The State of Alabama,  
Baldwin County

..... Court

Sheriff's Office

THE STATE  
VS.

APPEARANCE BOND

Amount of Bond, \$ .....

Filed ....., 195.....

....., Clerk

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21 September 1953

John Knight  
Foley, Alabama

The case against Norman Armstrong is probably going to be disposed of during the week of September 28th through October 2nd, next. If possible, I would like for you to drop by and see me about this case prior to the 26th of this month.

Yours truly,

Kenneth Cooper

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }  
Baldwin County

We, Norman Armstrong, as principal, and undersigned as sureties, agree to pay THE STATE OF ALABAMA, the sum of one thousand DOLLARS unless the said Norman Armstrong appears at the next Term, 1953 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 Assault With Intent to 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 \_\_\_\_\_, 195\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Baldwin County, Ala.

Wm. Moore  
Norman Armstrong L. S.  
Wm. Russell L. S.  
Ed. Hansen L. S.  
\_\_\_\_\_ L. S.

Taken and approved this the 14 day of March, 1953.  
Taylor Wilkins, Sheriff  
By \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy Sheriff

No. -----

The State of Alabama,  
Baldwin County.

Court

Sheriff's Office

THE STATE  
vs.

Sheriff's Appearance Bond

Amount of Bond, \$ -----

Filed -----, 195

, Clerk

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Baldwin County

Case No.

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vs.

In the

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Before me, *M. L. Howell*, Clerk of the *Justice* 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 *73* 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

*Tally*

Sheriff

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

*10*

day of

*Dec*

195*2*

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

*11*

day of

*Dec*

195

*2*

*M. L. Howell*

Judge of the above named court

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STATE OF ALABAMA

Baldwin County

Case No.

*Copied to* No. **4168**

The State of Alabama

vs.

In the

*Cir* Court of  
Baldwin County, Alabama

Before me, *W. W. [Signature]*, Clerk of the *Cir* 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 *72* 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

*July*

*[Signature]* Sheriff

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

*16*

day of

*March*

195*3*

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 \_\_\_\_\_

195\_\_\_\_\_

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



AFFIDAVIT

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The State of Alabama,

Baldwin County

In the Justice Court of

M. R. Howell

Before me,

M. R. Howell

, Justice of the Peace

in and for said County, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_ 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

Dec 7th

that one

Norman Armstrong

with Malice and Aforethought, unlawfully  
assaulted John Knight with Intent to  
Murder him

\_\_\_\_\_ against the peace and dignity of the State of Alabama

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

8th

day of

Dec

A. D., 1952

M. R. Howell

, J. P.

B. D. Jobb

WARRANT

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,

Baldwin County

To Any Lawful Officer of Said County, Greetings:

You are hereby commanded to arrest

Norman Armstrong

and bring

him

before

me Dec 16th at 10 o'clock a.m.

to answer the State of Alabama on a charge

Assault with Intent to Murder

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

Witness my hand this

8th

day of

Dec

, 1952

M. R. Howell

, J. P.

No. \_\_\_\_\_

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State of Alabama,  
Baldwin County

Justice Court of

**AFFIDAVIT**

The State of Alabama,  
vs.

Norman Armstrong

Witnesses for the State:

B. D. Cobb  
Dr. Julius Michaelson  
Nathan Harey  
Willa Wyatt  
Gertrude Higby

Justice Court of  
BALDWIN COUNTY

**Warrant of Arrest**

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
vs.

Norman Armstrong

Executed this 7th day of Dec 1952

By arresting the within

named Defendant

Norman Armstrong

and placing him

in jail

Taylor Wilkin, Sheriff

, Deputy Sheriff

Foley 72 Mi



WILLIAM R. LAUTEN  
CIRCUIT SOLICITOR

STATE OF ALABAMA  
OFFICE OF CIRCUIT SOLICITOR  
28TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
BAY MINETTE, ALABAMA

March 7, 1953

Mrs. Alice J. Duck  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
Bay Minette, Alabama

Dear Mrs. Duck:

Please place on the Grand Jury docket the following case:

No. 60. State of Alabama vs. Norman Armstrong--assault to murder

Kindly subpoena the following witnesses for this case for Tuesday,  
March 10, 1953, at 9:00 AM.

John Knight, cm, Foley, Alabama

B. D. Cobb, Foley, Alabama

Yours very truly,

*William R. Lauten*

WILLIAM R. LAUTEN,  
Circuit Solicitor.

L/s

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

ATTORNEYS	CASE	CHARGE
	THE STATE OF ALABAMA	Assault with Intent to Murder
No.	Vs. <i>Norman Armstrong</i>	

DISPOSITION OF CASE	FEE	AMOUNT
Affidavit made and Warrant Issued to <i>Sheriff</i>	<b>JUDGE'S FEES</b> Warrant at 50c, Affidavit at 25c	<i>75</i>
Returnable <i>Dec 17th 1952</i>	Bond at 50c, Sci. Fa. at 50c	
Witness—For State	Witnesses' Recognizances at 25c	
<i>B.D. Cobb, Goley, Ala.</i>	Subpoena or Notice at 25c	<i>1.25</i>
<i>Dr. Julius Michaelson, Goley</i>	Continuance at 25c	
<i>Nathan Stone</i>	Trial of Misdemeanor at \$1.00	
<i>Willie Wyatt</i>	Mittimus at 25c	
<i>Bertrude Rigby</i>	Judgment on Forfeited Bond at 25c	
<i>Called the defendant and waived the preliminary hearing he is bound over to the next term of the grand jury. Bond set at \$1000.00</i>	Taking Bond, etc., on Appeal at \$1.00	<i>1.00</i>
	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, \$2.00; Bond \$1.00; Sci. Fa., 50c	<i>5.00</i>
	Committing, \$1.00; Releasing, \$1.00	<i>2.00</i>
	Subpoenas at 25c ✓ Day's Board at 30c	<i>2.50</i>
	<i>12 miles</i> WITNESS FEES	<i>2.40</i>
	Days at 50c	
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	<b>DEFENDANT'S COSTS</b>	
	Witnesses' Recognizance at 25c	
	Subpoenas at 25c	
	Executing Subpoenas	

*M.R. Howell, Jr.*

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Date	Description	Amount
1870	...	...
1871	...	...

60