

The State of Alabama, }
Baldwin County. } Circuit Court, SPRING Session, 1955

The Grand Jury of said County charge that before finding this indictment Alexander Dortch, alias J.C. Dortch, whose name is to the Grand Jury otherwise unknown, did carnally know, or abuse in the attempt to carnally know Betty Ann Perdue, a girl under the age of twelve years,

against the peace and dignity of the State of Alabama.

Kenneth Cooper
Solicitor of the Twenty-Eighth Judicial Circuit.

No. _____

The State of Alabama
Baldwin County.

Circuit Court

SPRING SESSION ~~XXX~~ Term, 1955.

The State
vs.

ALEXANDER DORTCH,

Alias J.C. Dortch.

INDICTMENT

CARNAL KNOWLEDGE OF
GIRL CHILD.

No. Prosecutor

WITNESSES:

BETTY ANN DORTCH
LUCILE PERDUE

GRAND JURY NO. 3

A TRUE BILL,

Core L. Bloxham
Foreman Grand Jury.

Filed in open Court and in the presence of
the Grand Jury on the 16th day of

March, 1955
Deirdre J. Hensler
Clerk.

Presented in open Court to the presiding
Judge by the Foreman of the Grand Jury, in the
presence of 17 other Grand Jurors.

Deirdre J. Hensler
Clerk.

Bail fixed \$ 1000

H. H. Hester
Judge.

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Testimony of witness & hearing on 3 Oct 1954
Lucile Perdue testified that

~~Lucile~~ Perdue testified that
his daughter was nine years of
age and lives in the City of Fairhope
Baldwin County Ala. and on the evening
of the third day of October 1954 her
daughter Betty Ann Perdue age nine
told her that J.C. Hatcher attempted to
have intercourse with her and
abused her.

Lucile Perdue

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Betty Ann Perdue testified
that the defendant J.C. Hatcher attempted
to have intercourse with her & hurt
her doing so. on Sunday October 3, 1954
at her home in Fairhope Ala.

Betty Ann Perdue

Def. Alexander Hatcher testified
that he was not guilty & did not
touch the prosecutrix.

~~Subscribed to same~~

I was subscribed to before me by
Lucile Perdue & Betty Ann Perdue.
this the 8th day of October 1954.

Readers

[Faint, illegible handwriting throughout the page, possibly bleed-through from the reverse side.]

J. C. Ditch

you sheriff

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Complaint for Offense Against Municipal Ordinances

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }
Baldwin County. }
City of Fairhope, }

PERSONALLY appeared before me, E. G. Rickerby, Jr.
Recorder of the City of Fairhope, Alabama, Betty Ann Perdue

who, on being sworn; doth depose and say that on to-wit:
the 3rd day of October 19 54 and within the police jurisdiction of the City
of Fairhope, Alabama, J. C. ~~Perdue~~ DORTCH.

violated ordinance No. Code Section 398 of Title 14 of the 1940 Code of Alabama
prohibiting carnal knowledge and abuse of a girl under twelve years of age.

wherefore he prays for a warrant for the arrest of the said
J. C. DORTCH.

Betty Ann Perdue
Betty Ann Perdue Complainant
[Signature]
Recorder of the City of Fairhope

Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 4th day of October 1954

Warrant

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }
County of Baldwin, }
City of Fairhope, }

To the Town Marshal or to any Police Officer
of the City of Fairhope

COMPLAINT, on oath, having been made before me that the offense of violating /section
398 of Title 14 of 1940 Code of Alabama of the ordinance of the City of Fairhope prohibiting carnal knowledge and abus
of a girl under 12 years of age as described in the above affidavit, has been committed, and accusing

J. C. ~~Perdue~~ DORTCH.

thereof, you are therefore commanded forthwith to arrest and bring him before the
Recorder of the City of Fairhope.

Dated the 4th day of October 19 54

[Signature]
Recorder of the City of Fairhope

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
Baldwin County

To Any Sheriff of the State of Alabama:
An indictment having been found against

Alexander Wortsch, alias J-C Wortsch

at the Spring Term, 1955, of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, for the offense of

Carnal Knowledge of a Girl Child

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 16th day of March, 1955

Reice J. Wortsch
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.)

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Taken and approved _____ day of _____, 19_____.

Sheriff of Baldwin County.

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No. 3 -

The State

vs.

Alexander Vortch
alias J. C. Vortch

Bail fixed in this Case in Open Court at

\$ 10000⁰⁰

By H. M. Hall
Judge Presiding

Attest: _____
Clerk.

Executed this 19 day of March, 1956

By arresting the within

named Defendant

J. C. Vortch

and placing him in jail

Taylor Wilkins, Sheriff

Edley Stangor, Deputy Sheriff

Charles Anderson

Shore
L.A.

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STATE OF ALABAMA

Baldwin County

Case No. 3

No. 6024

The State of Alabama
vs.

In the Cir Court of
Baldwin County, Alabama

Alford D. Dantz

Before me, Alford Dantz, 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 70 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 Enterprise Sheriff

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21 day of Mar, 1955

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

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Appearance Bond

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
BALDWIN COUNTY

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We, J. C. DORTCH *Alexander Dortch*, as principal and
the undersigned W.C. Smith Jr. + Henry Pinkard

as sureties, agree to pay to the State of Alabama the sum of FIFTEEN HUNDRED & no/100 DOLLARS

unless the said J. C. DORTCH *Alexander Dortch* appears at the
NEXT Term, 1954 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 CARNAL KNOWLEDGE OF A GIRL UNDER 12 YEARS OF AGE

Attempted

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.

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done

Alexander Dortch L. S.
Henry Pinkard L. S.
W.C. Smith Jr. L. S.
Ad Taebay L. S.

Taken and approved this the 20 day of February 1954

Taylor Wilkins J. P.
By Geo. Perry 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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Handwritten signature