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The State of Alabama,  
Baldwin County.

} Circuit Court, SPRING Session, 1955.

The Grand Jury of said County charge that before finding this indictment

ERNEST SAWYER, WHOSE NAME IS TO THE GRAND JURY OTHERWISE UNKNOWN,  
A MAN, BEING THE FATHER OF ONE YVONNE SAWYER, A WOMAN, AND WITHIN  
THE DECREE OF CONSANGUNITY OR RELATIONSHIP WITHIN WHICH MARRIAGES  
ARE DECLARED BY LAW TO BE INCESTUOUS AND VOID, AND KNOWING OF SUCH  
CONSANGUINITY OR RELATIONSHIP, DID HAVE SEXUAL INTERCOURSE WITH  
THE SAID YVONNE SAWYER, OR DID LIVE WITH HER IN A STATE OF ADULTRY,

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

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The State

vs.

ERNEST SAWYER

INDICTMENT

INCEST

No. Prosecutor

WITNESSES:

YVONNE SAWYER

TAYLOR WILKINS

DR. GEORGE HOLIDAY

GEORGE CRAWFORD

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GRAND JURY NO. 39

A TRUE BILL,

*Gene S. Stephens*  
Foreman Grand Jury.

Filed in open Court and in the presence of  
the Grand Jury on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of

March, 1955

*George 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.

*George J. ...*  
Clerk.

Bail fixed \$ 750

*W. ...*  
Judge.

*We the jury find the  
defendant guilty as charged.  
In the indictment*

*Robert S. Duck*

State  
 Ernest Sawyer

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### JURY LIST

Spring Term, March 28, 1955

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3	Frank Kriss,	farmer,	Silverhill
4	Walter P. Kichler,	farmer,	Elberta
5	Gas Bertagnolli,	filling station,	Daphne
6	Edmond Clay McGowin,	farmer,	Latham
<del>7</del>	<del>Ralph C. Brown,</del>	<del>Foley</del>	
<del>8</del>	<del>Jack Floyd,</del>	<del>service station,</del>	<del>Stockton</del>
<del>9</del>	<del>Willie Martin,</del>	<del>clerk,</del>	<del>Foley</del>
<del>10</del>	<del>Price Foster,</del>	<del>printer,</del>	<del>Foley</del>
<del>11</del>	<del>Randolph McGowin, Jr.,</del>	<del>sales,</del>	<del>Bay Minette</del>
<del>12</del>	<del>L. B. Bars,</del>	<del>Brookley Field,</del>	<del>Fairhope</del>
13	George Stewart,	farmer,	Foley
14	Adrian Quinley,	mechanic,	Bay Minette
<del>15</del>	<del>R. C. Keeney,</del>	<del>real estate,</del>	<del>Fairhope</del>
<del>16</del>	<del>J. Rufus Simon,</del>	<del>farmer,</del>	<del>Daphne</del>
<del>17</del>	<del>Andrew Calloway,</del>	<del>fisherman,</del>	<del>Bon Secour</del>
18	William Roberson,	laborer,	Robertsdale
19	J. C. Grimes,	produce man,	Loxley
<del>20</del>	<del>Hollis Leavins,</del>	<del>meat distributor,</del>	<del>Fairhope</del>
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<del>27</del>	<del>Ralph Green,</del>	<del>farmer,</del>	<del>Loxley</del>
28	Clarence Hand,	farmer,	Foley
<del>29</del>	<del>Sam Parker,</del>	<del>auditor,</del>	<del>Magnolia Springs</del>
<del>30</del>	<del>Thomas Coleman,</del>	<del>farmer,</del>	<del>Perdido</del>
<del>31</del>	<del>Edward Hadley,</del>	<del>school bus,</del>	<del>Elberta, Rt.</del>
32	Dallar Taylor,	merchant,	Lottie
<del>33</del>	<del>Paul Geger,</del>	<del>electrician,</del>	<del>Fairhope</del>
<del>34</del>	<del>Aaron Bishop,</del>	<del>farmer,</del>	<del>R. E. D. Fairhope</del>
35	Riley Weeks,	carpenter,	Foley
36	Norvele Cabiness,	filling sta.,	Bay Minette
<del>37</del>	<del>Fra N. Underwood,</del>	<del>farmer,</del>	<del>Summerdale</del>
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<del>52</del>	<del>Vernon R. Sahlm,</del>	<del>storekeeper,</del>	<del>Foley</del>
<del>53</del>	<del>Charence Givens,</del>	<del>laborer,</del>	<del>Seminole</del>
<del>54</del>	<del>John Bauer,</del>	<del>farmer,</del>	<del>Summerdale</del>
<del>55</del>	<del>Roy F. Emmons,</del>	<del>Brookley Field,</del>	<del>Perdido</del>
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~~State~~  
vs  
Ernest Sawyer

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The State of Alabama, {  
Baldwin County.

Justice Court of T. C. HAND

Precinct 4, Bay Minette, Alabama

To Any Sheriff of the State of Alabama:

You are hereby Comanded to Summon

George H. Crawford, J. D. Horn,

Taylor Wilkins, Yvonne Sawyer, Dr. Geo. Halliday, G. T. Jerkins

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

~~11~~ 11 day of February 2 P.M., 1955,

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

Ernest Sawyer

Defendant, and have you then and

there this Writ, with your endorsement thereon.

Witness my hand this 10

day of February

A. D., 1955.

Justice of the Peace

Executed in full, this the

11 day of

July, 1956

Taylor Wilkins  
Sheriff

J. P. [Signature]  
Deputy Sheriff

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 Geo. H. Crawford 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 5 February 1955 that one Ernest Sawyer

a man, being the father of one Yvonne Sawyer and within the decree of consanguinity within which marriages are declared by law to be incestuous and void, and knowing of such consanguinity or relationship, did have Sexual Intercourse with the said Yvonne Sawyer, or did live with her in a state of Adultery, against the peace and dignity of the State of Alabama.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6

day of February, A. D., 19 55

T. C. Hand, J. P.

Geo H Crawford

WARRANT

State Of Alabama, }  
Baldwin County.

To Any Lawful Officer of Said County, Greetings:

You are hereby commanded to arrest Ernest Sawyer

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

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

Witness my hand this 6 day of February, 19 55

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.

Ernest Sawyer

Witnesses for the State:

- George H. Crawford
- J. D. Horn
- Yvonne Sawyer.
- Taylor Wilkins
- Dr. Geo. Halliday
- G. T. Jenkins

*Jenkins*

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Justice Court of  
Baldwin County

**Warrant of Arrest**

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
vs.

Ernest Sawyer

Executed this 5 day of Feb. 1955

By arresting the within

named Defendant

Ernest Sawyer

and placing him

*in Jail*

*Taylor Wilkins*, Sheriff  
*Geo. Sawyer*, Deputy Sheriff  
*J. D. Horn*



THE STATE OF ALABAMA,

Baldwin County

To Any Sheriff of the State of Alabama:

An indictment having been found against

Ernest Sawyer

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

Incest

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, 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\_\_\_\_\_.

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

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

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No. 39

The State

vs.

Ernest Sawyer

Executed this 18 day of March 1906

By arresting the within

named Defendant

Ernest Sawyer

Bail fixed in this Case in Open Court at

\$ 75000

and placing him in jail

By W. M. Hall

Judge Presiding

Taylor Walker, Sheriff

Attest:

Clerk.

Geo Sawyer, Deputy Sheriff

State witnesses:

Yvonne Sawyer

Taylor Wilkins

Dr. George Holliday

March 15

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

Attorneys	Case	Charge
No. 6982	THE STATE OF ALABAMA, Vs. Ernest Sawyer	Incest

Disposition of Case	Fees	Amount
Affidavit made and Warrant Issued to Geo. W. Crawford	Judge's Fees	
Returnable Grand jury	Warrant at 50c, Affidavit at 25c	.75
Witness—for State Geo. W. Crawford	Bond at 50c, Sci Fa. at 50c	
J. S. Horn	Witnesses' Recognizances at 25c	
W. H. Sawyer	6 Subpoenas or notice at 25c	1.50
Dr. Geo. W. Talladay	Continuance at 25c	
Jay Lee Wilkins	Trial of Misdemeanor at \$1.00	
G. J. Jenkins	Mittimus at 25c	.25
	Judgment on Forfeited Bond at 25c	
	Posting Bond, etc. on Appeal at \$1.00	
	Execution of costs at 25c	.25
	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 \$4.00, Bond \$1.00, Sci Fa. 50c	4.00
	Guard \$2.00, Finger Printing 10c	2.10
	5 Subpoenas at 50c, Mileage	2.50
	Witness Fees	2.00
	1 Days at 50c	.50
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	Defendant's Costs	
	Witnesses' Recognizance at 25c	
	Subpoenas at 50c	
	Executing Subpoenas	

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Bound over Grand jury  
Bond set \$1,000.00  
by being unable to make bond  
was ordered committed to jail

*W. H. Sawyer*  
Justice Court

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