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**THE STATE OF ALABAMA**  
**Baldwin County**

CIRCUIT COURT, FALL TERM, 194 2

The Grand Jury of said County charge that before the finding of this indictment Grayson Craig unlawfully, but without malice, or the intention to kill, killed Oscar Evans, by negligently driving a motor truck into or against the motor truck in which the said Oscar Evans was riding;

against the peace and dignity of the State of Alabama.

*Ralph L. Jones*

Solicitor of the Twenty-first Judicial Circuit.

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No. 94

THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT

Office

Fall Term, 1942

THE STATE

vs.

Grayson Craig

INDICTMENT

Manslaughter, Second Degree

No Prosecutor

WITNESSES:

D. J. Thigpen

J. L. Kendrick

Aaron Bell (Mobile)

L. C. Mooneyham

A. D. Lambert

GRAND JURY NO. 18

A TRUE BILL.

J Arthur Corth  
Foreman Grand Jury.

Filed in open Court and in the presence of

the Grand Jury on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of

November, 1942

R. Raduech, Clerk.

Presented in open Court to the presiding

Judge by the Foreman of the Grand Jury, in

the presence of 17 other Grand Jurors.

R. Raduech, Clerk.

Bail fixed at \$500.00

J. W. Hare  
Judge

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

Attorneys	Case	Charge
	THE STATE OF ALABAMA,	
No.	Vs.	
	Grayson Craig	Manslaughter

	Disposition of Case	Fees	Amount
	Affidavit made and Warrant Issued to M.B.Hamilton	Judge's Fees	
	Returnable Justice court	Warrant at 50c, Affidavit at 25c	75
June 6th 1942	Witness—for State D.J.Thigpen, J.L.Kendrick and Aaron Bell	Bond at 50c, Sci Fa at 50c	
		Witnesses' Recognizances at 25c	
		Subpoena or notice at 25c	
		Continuance at 25c	
		Trial of Misdemeanor at \$1.00	\$1.00
		Mittimus at 25c	25
	Comes the defendant and waives his preliminary	Judgment on Forfeited Bond at 25c	
	hearing to action of grandjury bond fixed at \$300.00	Taking Bond, etc, on Appeal at \$1.00	
		Execution of costs at 25c	
		Constable's Fees	\$2.00
		Subpoena or Notice at 25c	
		Carrying Defendant before Justice	
		each mile for himself and guard at 10c	
		Arrest 50c	
	<i>J.M. Franklin</i>	Sheriff's Fees	
	N.P.Ex-O.J.P	Arrest \$2.00 Bond, \$1.00, Sci Fa 50c	\$4.00
		Committing \$1.00, Releasing \$1.00 Guard	2.00
		Subpoenas at 25c Day's Board at 30c	
		Witness Fees	\$6.00
		Days at 50c	
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		DEFENDANT'S COSTS	
		Witnesses' Recognizance at 25c	
		Subpoenas at 25c	
		Executing Subpoenas	

THE STATE OF ALABAMA

CIRCUIT COURT

Baldwin County.

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

Case No. 632.

Term. Dec., 1932

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA:

You are Hereby Comanded to Summon D. J. Thigpen J. L. Kendrick.

Aaron Bell. L. C. Mooneyham. A. D. Lamberts *M. B. Hamilton*

personally to be and appear before the Circuit Court, to be holden for Baldwin County, at the Court House thereof, in Bay Minette, on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of Dec., 1932, at 8:30 a.m., 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 Grayson Craig.

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

Witness my hand this Nov 17 day of \_\_\_\_\_ A. D., 1932

R. S. DUCK, Clerk.

Received in office Nov. 29-, 1934

Executed this Nov- 30, 1934

By A. J. Lambert.

The negro Aron Bell  
is not in Mobile co.  
cannot be found.  
Lambert A. J. P. Mobile -  
Dec - 2 - 1942

Executed 11/30/42  
by  
D. J. Pugh  
J. Kendrick  
L. C. Mooneyham  
A. J. Lambert  
M. B. Hamilton  
W. R. Stuart

Sheriff.

M. B. Hamilton

ORIGINAL

For \_\_\_\_\_

No. 632.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY

Circuit Court

THE STATE

Vs.

Grayson Craig.

STATE SUBPOENA

Issued this NOV 17 1942 day of

1934

R. S. Duck.

Clerk.

Received in Sheriff's Office

this 23 day of Nov, 1942

W. R. STUART, Sheriff

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT

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

Case No. 632 Term Dec 1942

To Any Sheriff of the State of Alabama:

You are Hereby Commanded to Summon Garson Bell

personally to be and appear before the Circuit Court, to be holden for Baldwin County, at the Court House thereof, in Bay Minette, on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of Dec, 1942, at 8:30 a. m. 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 THE STATE in a prosecution now pending in said Court, wherein the State of Alabama is Plaintiff and Garson Craig

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

Witness my hand this 17<sup>th</sup> day of Nov A. D. 1942 R. S. DUCK, Clerk.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
Baldwin County }

No. 18

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA—GREETINGS:

You are hereby commanded to summon D. J. Thigpen, J. L. Kendrick,

Aaron Bell, L.C. Mooneyham - A.D. Lambert

to be and appear on the 3rd day of November, 1942, before the Grand Jury of said County, at the Court House thereof, then and there to testify and give evidence on behalf of the State of Alabama. Herein fail not, and make due return of this writ with your endorsement thereon.

Witness my hand this 15th day of ~~November~~ October A. D., 1942.

R. S. Duck

Clerk.

*See Hooper*

ORIGINAL

No. 18

**GRAND JURY SUBPOENA**

I have executed this Subpoena by serving a copy thereof on the following persons, to-wit:

*in full*

X

this 20 day of Oct, 1942

*W. R. Stewart*, Sheriff



THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }  
Baldwin County. }

To Any Sheriff of the State of Alabama :

An indictment having been found against

Grayson Craig

at the Nov Term, 1932, of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, for the offense of

Manslaughter, Second 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 6th day of Nov, 1932

Clerk of the 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 Alabama,

Witness our hands and seals this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 193\_\_\_\_\_

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

Taken and approved \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 193\_\_\_\_\_

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

Executed this 7 day of November 42

By arresting the within  
named Defendent  
Rayson Craig

and placing him in jail

W. R. Stuart  
Sheriff  
M. B. N.  
D. S.

**CAPIAS**

No. 633

THE STATE  
vs.

Rayson Craig

Bail Fixed in This Case in Open Court at

\$ 500

By J. W. Ware  
Judge Presiding.

Attest: R. S. Duck  
Clerk.

# Circuit Court of Baldwin County

STATE VS. Grayson Craig. 432 $\frac{1}{2}$

CLERK'S FEES	AT	AMOUNT	SHERIFF'S FEES	AT	AMOUNT
Taking Affidavits .....	50		Arrest .....	2.00	4 00
Issuing Capias .....	50	50	Bond .....	1.00	1 00
Docketing .....	10	10	Guarding Prisoner .....	2.00	2 00
State Subpoenas <i>1 D</i> .....	25	1 50	Serving <del>3.</del> Subpoenas <i>Sci Fa</i> .....	1.50	4 50.
..... Recognizance .....	50		Summoning Jury in Capital Case		
..... Continuance by Defendant	25		Seizure .....	3.00	
Et. Forfeiture vs. Defendant.....	50	50	Mileage..... Miles at 10c.....		
Trial .....	50		Fees in County Court.....		
Judgment .....	25	25	<b>Total Sheriff's Fees.....</b>		<b>11 50.</b>
Sentence .....	25		<b>RECAPITULATION</b>		
Order of Removal and Indictments .....	1 00		Clerk's Fees .....		6 55.
Issuing..... Execution .....	50		Sheriff's Fees .....		11 50
Issuing <i>4</i> ..... Scire Facias .....	50	2 00	Fine .....		
Transcript and Cert..... Folios.....	15		Solicitor's Fee .....		
Final Record..... Folios.....	15	3 00	County Court Tax .....		
Record for Supreme Court.....	15		Justice of Peace Fees .....		
Certifying same .....	25		Constable's Fees .....		
Rec. Indict. at 15c per 100 words			Witness Fees in Circuit Court.....		
			Witness Fees in County Court.....		
			Removal Bill .....		
County Court Costs.....			Stenographer .....	5.00	
			Board..... Days at .....		
			Trial Tax .....	3.00	3 00
<b>Total Clerk's Fees.....</b>		<b>6 0 35.</b>	<b>Total Costs and Fines.....</b>		<b>2 0 85</b>

WITNESSES:	AMOUNT
Grand Jury Term 194	
<b>STATE WITNESSES</b>	
Before Court of Conviction	
Term, 194	

20 85.

Sureties.

Gatherine I Evans.

C V Evans.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }  
Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT

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

Case No. 632

Term. April 1933

To Any Sheriff of the State of Alabama :

You are Hereby Comanded to Summon

Carroll Bell,  
Mobile, Ala. A. Lambert, J. C. Mooneyham

personally to be and appear before the Circuit Court, to be holden for Baldwin County, at the Court House thereof, in Bay Minette, on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of April 1933, at 8:30 a. m., 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 Grayson Craig

Defendant, and have you then and

there this Writ, with your endorsement thereon.

Witness my hand this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April A.D., 1933.

R. S. DUCK, Clerk.

Received in office

4/15

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Executed this

4/20

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By

*Quinn in full*

ORIGINAL

For

No.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY

CIRCUIT COURT

THE STATE

vs.

*Grayson Craig*  
*Edison Bell*

STATE SUBPOENA

Issued this

15<sup>th</sup>

day of

*April*

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*R.S. Duck*

Sheriff.

Clerk.

*W.R. Stewart*

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }  
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN THE JUSTICE COURT OF  
J.M. Franklin

Before me, J.M. Franklin, N.P. Ex-O. J.P.

in and for said County personally appeared ~~Max 15th 1942~~ M.B. Hamilton  
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 May 15th 1942, that one

Grayson Craig unlawfully, but without malice, or the intention to  
kill, killed Oscar Evans, by negligently driving a motor vehicle into  
or against a motor vehicle which Oscar Evans was operating,

against the peace and dignity of the State of Alabama

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

25th day of May

A. D. 1942

J.M. Franklin N.P. Ex-O. J. P.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }  
Baldwin County

TO ANY LAWFUL OFFICER OF SAID COUNTY, Greetings:

You are hereby commanded to arrest Grayson Craig

and bring Him before Me to answer

the State of Alabama on a charge of manslaughter

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

Witness my hand this 25th day of May, 1942

J.M. Franklin N.P. Ex-O. J. P.

*Grand Jury  
Ludwig*

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**THE STATE OF ALABAMA**  
BALDWIN COUNTY

JUSTICE COURT OF

J.M. Franklin

**THE STATE**  
vs.

Grayson Craig

**WARRANT AND AFFIDAVIT**

WITNESSES FOR THE STATE

D.J. Thigpen and J.L. Kendrick

Aaron Ball, Creighton, Ala.

*Executed 5/25/42  
by arresting the within  
named defendant and  
placing him in jail  
W.R. Stuart, Sheriff  
By M.O.H.*

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }  
Baldwin County

We, Grayson Craig, as principal, and undersigned as sureties, agree to pay THE STATE OF ALABAMA, the sum of Three hundred DOLLARS

unless the said Grayson Craig appear at the September Term, 1942 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 Man Slaughter

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 Grayson Craig (Seal)  
the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_. G. E. Loflin (Seal)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Eugene George Jr. (Seal)  
\_\_\_\_\_, Baldwin County, Ala. Ivan E. Myles (Seal)

Taken and approved this the 9th day of June, 1942.  
W. R. Stuart, Sheriff  
By M. B. Hamilton, Deputy Sheriff



I, R. S. Duck, Clerk of the within named County and State hereby certify that this is an exact copy of the bond of the said Grayson Craig,

Executed ~~the 26th~~ day of July 1943

By arresting the within

named Defendant

Grayson Craig

R. S. Duck  
Clerk of the Circuit court  
By Alice J. Duck  
Sec.

and placing him

Jail  
U. R. Stewart

Sheriff

Sheriff's Appearance Bond

Grayson Craig

THE STATE  
VS.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Circuit Court

Court

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
BALDWIN COUNTY

No. 632

Amount of Bond, \$

Filed

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Clerk

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
Baldwin County

We, Grayson Craig, as principal, and undersigned as sureties, agree to pay THE STATE OF ALABAMA, the sum of ~~xxxx~~ Three hundred DOLLARS unless the said Grayson Craig appear at the September Term, 194<sup>2</sup> 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 Man Slaughter

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.

Grayson Craig (Seal)  
N.E. Joflin (Seal)  
Engene George Jui (Seal)  
Wm. E. Miles (Seal)

Taken and approved this the 9 day of June, 194<sup>2</sup>

W.R. Stuart, Sheriff  
By [Signature], Deputy Sheriff

Mobile Ala. June 8 - 1942

I hereby certify that the within is signed by two good and sufficient sureties and that if the same were submitted to me I would approve the same.

*W. J. [Signature]*  
Sheriff Mobile County

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

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
BALDWIN COUNTY.

*Convent*  
Court

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

THE STATE  
VS.

*Wagner County (em)*

Sheriff's Appearance Bond

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

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

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

WARRANT OF ARREST

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }  
BALDWIN COUNTY

TO ANY LAWFUL OFFICER OF SAID COUNTY—GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to arrest Grayson Craig

and bring him before the Judge of the Circuit ~~County~~ Court on the at the next term day of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, 194 3; to answer to the State of Alabama on a charge \_\_\_\_\_

Manslaughter Second Degree

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

Witness my hand this 21st day of December, 194 2

R. L. Duck  
Clerk of the Circuit Court.

No. 632

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The State of Alabama,

BALDWIN COUNTY

Circuit

COUNTY COURT

THE STATE

VS.

Grayson Craig

**Warrant of Arrest**

WITNESSES FOR THE STATE

Received in Sheriff's Office

this 21 day of Dec, 1942

W. R. STUART, Sheriff

Executed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 194

By arresting the within named Defendant

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

Sheriff.

D. S.

*Ex 1-6-42*

*W.H. Ballou Sr. Sheriff  
Marshall Co*

*By Fred Lanning D.S.*

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
Baldwin County.

No. 632

Circuit COURT

Fall Term, 1942

To Any Sheriff of the State of Alabama—Greeting:

You are Hereby Commanded to Notify Grayson Craig, C. V. Evans, and Catherine I Evans

that at the Fall Term, 1942 of the Circuit Court of said County, a judgment was rendered against them of which the following is a copy:

THE STATE  
VS.

Grayson Craig

Indictment for

Manslaughter

It appearing to the Court that the said Grayson Craig together with C. V. Evans, and Catherine I, Evans

agreed to pay the State of Alabama the sum of Five Hundred DOLLARS

unless the said Grayson Craig appeared at this term of the Court to answer in this case; and the said Grayson Craig

having failed to appear, it is therefore ordered that the State of Alabama for the use of County, recover of the said Grayson Craig, C. V. Evans, and Catherine I, Evans

on said undertaking, the sum of Five Hundred Dollars unless they appear at the next Term of this Court and show cause why this judgment should not be made absolute."

You will therefore, by serving a copy hereof, notify the said Grayson Craig

that the said judgment will be made absolute against them at the next term of said Court, unless they then appear and show cause against the same.

Witness my hand this 21st day of December A. D. 1942

Clerk.

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No. 632 Page

The State of Alabama,  
Baldwin County.

Circuit COURT

THE STATE  
VS.

Grayson Craig

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Sci. Fa. to Defaulting Defendant  
and Bail

Issued December, 21st, 1942

R. S. Duck

Clerk.

RECEIVED IN OFFICE

Jan 4 1943  
W. H. Holcombe  
Sheriff

I have executed this writ,

this Jan 5 6, 1943

by serving copy on

C. V. Evans  
Mrs. Catherine J. Evans  
Grayson Craig

W. H. Holcombe  
Mose Burnstein  
Jack Belcher  
Sheriff  
Deputy Sheriff

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA

Baldwin }  
Mobile County

We

*Grayson Craig*

and

*Catherine I Egan*

agree to pay the State of Alabama

*Five Hundred*

Dollars

unless the said

*Grayson Craig*

appear at the

*Next*

*Baldwin County*

term of the Circuit Court of ~~Mobile~~ County

and from term to term thereafter, until discharged by law, to answer a criminal prosecution for

the offense of

*Manslaughter 2 Degree*

AND WE HEREBY WAIVE ALL RIGHT OF EXEMPTION ALLOWED US UNDER THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA AS TO THE COLLECTION OF THIS BOND IF FORFEITED.

Approved

The *6* day of *Jan*, 19*43*

Sheriff

Deputy

(L. S.)

*Grayson Craig*  
*Catherine I Egan* By *Laura Allen* atty in fact  
*C. V. Egan* By *Laura Allen* atty in fact



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THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
County of Mobile

Personally appeared before me, \_\_\_\_\_, Sheriff of Mobile County

who, being duly sworn, doth depose and say that \_\_\_\_\_ is a resident of the State of Alabama, County of Mobile, a householder and freeholder therein, and that \_\_\_\_\_ is worth, exclusive of property exempt from execution, and also over and above all just debts and liabilities, the amount expressed in this undertaking.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 193\_\_

Sheriff of Mobile County.

*WALTER B. PIERCE, JR., Sheriff of Mobile County*  
*William J. Edwards, Attorney at Law*  
*City of Mobile*

THE STATE

VS.

*Mayor Craig*  
*Platen*

APPEARANCE BOND

Filed \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 193\_\_

*J. M. G. O.*  
*5-10*