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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 P. J. Wright, J. E. Gooden, J. E. Gaster,
Johanne Mc Daniels, Hollis Lewis, Bill Fuok, 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 Plain-
tiff, and Robert Bell

your endorsement thereon.

Witness my hand this 26 day of Oct. 1957.

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

Ed. 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, Henry 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 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 Bell

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

Witness my hand this 26 day of Oct 1957

[Signature]
NOTARY PUBLIC AND EX-OFFICIO J. P.

Executed in full, this the

22 day of

Oct, 1957

Leola Wilkins
Sheriff.

George Gatz
Deputy Sheriff

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }
BALDWIN COUNTY }

To Any Sheriff of the State of Alabama:

Justice Court of W. H. H. H.

Precinct No 4, Bay Minette Ala.

You Are Hereby Commanded to Summon

Mrs. Minnie Moore, L. E. Perkins,
Dr. C. E. Goddard, J. J. Klump, Harold McLean, 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. 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 Plain-
tiff, and Robert Bell

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

Witness my hand this 26 day of Oct. 1957.

J. J. L. L.

NOTARY PUBLIC AND EX-OFFICIO J. P.

Executed in full, this the

27 day of

oct, 1951

Taylor Walburn
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.


Judge, 28th Judicial Circuit of
Alabama.

FILED

JAN 30 1957

ALICE L. BUCK, 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

PETITION

FILED

AUG 15 1955

ALICE J. DUCK, Clerk

Handwritten notes and signatures in the right margin, including a signature that appears to read "Robert Bell" and some illegible text.

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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)D. Chordard (Seal)Ellamae Robinson (Seal)Flora Bell (Seal)Taken and approved this the 28 day of March, 1952Jaylor Kilgus, SheriffBy W. A. Taylor, Deputy Sheriff

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 Buchanan

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.

Alvin H. Hume, 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 H. Hume, Clerk.

Bail fixed \$2000.00
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Jeffery M. Maslow, Jr.
Judge.

We the jury find the defendant guilty of manslaughter in the first degree on charges in the indictment as I agree with his presentation in the indictment.

R. F. Long
Foreman

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STATE OF ALABAMA }
BALDWIN COUNTY }

Nº 2862

Case No. 2343
The State of Alabama
vs.

IN THE Probate COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

Dakota Bell
Before me, M. J. [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]
Dakota 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 20 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 Lawrence

James Wilkins
Sheriff

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16 day of Oct, 1955.

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 _____, 1955.

Judge of the above named court

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Affidavit

Printed by Moore Ptg. Co.

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 Page

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

Wm 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

For Just

Lylo Wilk, Sheriff

Deputy Sheriff

Fairhope 70 mi.

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Moore Printing Co.,

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
Baldwin County

To Any Sheriff of the State of Alabama:

An indictment having been found against

Robert Bell

at the Spring Term, 1922, 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, 1922

W. H. Bell
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

\$ 2000⁰⁰

By W. J. Mackburn
Judge Presiding.

Attest: _____
Clerk.

Executed this 28 day of March, 19 52

By arresting the within

named Defendant

Robert Bell

and placing him _____

in Jail

Taylor Williams, Sheriff

Ellen S. Steadman, Deputy Sheriff

Fairhope

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA, {

Baldwin County

Justice Court of T. C. HAND

Precinct No. 4 Bay Minette, Ala.

To Any Sheriff of the State of Alabama:

You are Hereby Commanded to Summon

N. F. Hall, Adolph Bruden 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 Zell

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

Executed in full, this the

20 — day of

oct, 195 /

Raymond Wilkins

Sheriff

George J. Galt

Deputy Sheriff

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

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

DISPOSITION OF CASE	FEES	AMOUNT
Affidavit made and Warrant Issued to <i>Jayles Wilkins</i>	JUDGE'S FEES Warrant at 50c, Affidavit at 25c	75
Returnable	Bond at 50c, Sci. Fa. at 50c	
Witness—For State <i>H. F. Hall, George Hartley, Floyd B. Phillips.</i>	Witnesses' Recognizances at 25c	
	22 Subpoena or Notice at 25c	5.50
	Continuance at 25c	
	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	
	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, \$1.00; Bond \$1.00; Sci. Fa., 50c	4.00
	<i>Cost</i> Committing, \$2.00; Releasing, \$1.00	2.10
	Subpoenas at 25c Day's Board at 30c	
	WITNESS FEES Days at 50c	50
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	DEFENDANT'S COSTS Witnesses' Recognizance at 25c	
	Subpoenas at 25c	
	Executing Subpoenas	

29 Oct 51.

After hearing evidence in case and arguments was advanced by ref. attorney that there was no evidence presented to show that Fondille Cox was ~~the~~ actually the man killed. Ref. was released w/out bond.

J. Hall

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