

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,

Baldwin County.

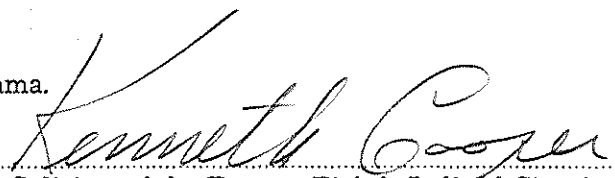
Circuit Court,

Fall Session, 1915

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

Lawrence James, whose name is to the Grand Jury otherwise unknown, feloniously took and carried away seventy dollars, the personal property of Emmett Middleton.

against the peace and dignity of the State of Alabama.

  
Solicitor of the Twenty-Eighth Judicial Circuit.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, } To Any Sheriff of the State of Alabama:  
Baldwin County

An indictment having been found against

Lawrence James

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

Grand Larceny

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 3rd day of April, 1954

W. J. [Signature]  
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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(L. S.)

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

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

RECORDED

No. ....

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
BALDWIN COUNTY

Circuit Court

*Fall Session* Term, 194*1*953

THE STATE

Vs.

*Lawrence James*

INDICTMENT

*Grand Jurors*  
No. Prosecutor.

WITNESSES:

*Emmett Wilson*  
*Emmett Middleton* 275  
*H. F. Hall*  
*J. M. Waters*

GRAND JURY NO. *72*

A TRUE BILL

*Collyer H. Gittle*  
Foreman Grand Jury.

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

*Sept.*, 19*43*.  
*Aricef. ...* Clerk.

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

the presence of *12* other Grand Jurors.

*Aricef. ...*  
Clerk.

Bail fixed \$ *500*

*M. ...*  
Judge.

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**CAPIAS**

No. 1697

THE STATE

vs.

Laurence James

Bail Fixed in This Case in Open Court at

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_

Judge Presiding.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk.

Executed this 3 day of April, 1954

By arresting the within

named Defendant

and placing him on Bond

Raymond Williams, Sheriff

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

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APPEARANCE BOND

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STATE OF ALABAMA

Baldwin ~~Conecuh~~ County

CIRCUIT

COURT

We, ~~Lawrence James~~ \_\_\_\_\_, Defendants, as principal, and the undersigned as  
his \_\_\_\_\_ sureties, agree to pay the State of Alabama Five Hundred and no/100 Dollars,  
unless HE appears at the next term of the CIRCUIT Court  
of ~~Conecuh~~ BALDWIN County, and from day to day and from term to term thereafter until discharged by law, to answer a  
criminal prosecution for the offense of GRAND LARCENY

now pending against Lawrence James in said Court.

And we, and each of us, hereby waive all rights to claim exemption as to personal property we or either of us  
have now, or may hereafter have, under the Constitution and Laws of Alabama; and hereby severally certify  
that we have property free from all incumbrance to the full amount of the bond.

Witness our hands and seals, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 195\_\_\_\_\_.

Taken and approved

  
Sheriff of ~~Conecuh~~ County, Ala.  
BALDWIN

By \_\_\_\_\_

Sheriff.

Lawrence Jones (L.S.)  
John W. Jones (L.S.)  
W. R. Pettis (L.S.)  
Vernon R. Galt (L.S.)

STATE OF ALABAMA

CONECUH COUNTY.

I, John H. Brock, Sheriff of Conecuh County, Ala., certify that this is a good and sufficient bond and if presented to me in my County, I would approve same.

This the 3rd day of April, 1954.

JOHN H. BROCK, SHERIFF

BY

*Ralph Cressell*  
DEPUTY SHERIFF

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

THE STATE OF ALABAMA

Conecuh County

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

THE STATE

vs.

APPEARANCE BOND

Sureties:

Amount of bond, \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Hon. Taylor Wilkins

Evergreen, Alabama, April 3rd, 1954

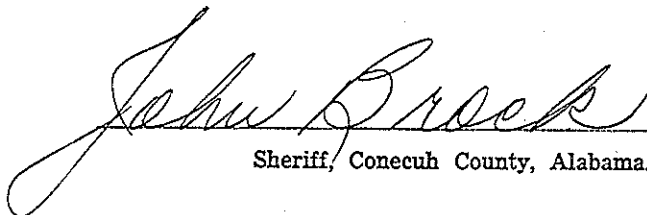
TO THE SHERIFF Baldwin COUNTY,  
Bay Minette, ALABAMA.

Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith bond for Lawrence James, W.M. For Grand Larceny, in  
Circuit Court. I talked to Judge Hall. About Mr. James and he told  
me to let him make a new bond in this case.

Yours very truly,

Please serve and return as early as possible.

  
Sheriff, Conecuh County, Alabama.

(If not found in your county please advise promptly, giving information as to present location, if possible).

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
Baldwin County

To Any Sheriff of the State of Alabama:

An indictment having been found against

Lawrence James

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

Grand Larceny

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 17th day of September, 1953.

Alfred W. Smith  
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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(L. S.)

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

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

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CAPIAS

No. 72

THE STATE

vs.

LAWRENCE JAMES

Bail Fixed in This Case in Open Court at

\$ 500.00

By H.M. Hall

Judge Presiding.

Attest:

Alice J. Quok

Clerk.

Executed this 17 day of Sept 1953

By arresting the within

named Defendant

and placing him in jail

Jay B. Wilber, Sheriff

, Deputy Sheriff

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The State of Alabama,  
Baldwin County.

No. 1697

Circuit COURT

Term, 19

To Any Sheriff of the State of Alabama—Greeting:

You are Hereby Commanded to Notify Lawrence James, H. N. Pettis, Vernon Ryals,  
and John W. Jones

that at the March Term, 1954 of the Circuit Court of said County, a judgment  
was rendered against Lawrence James of which the following is a copy:

THE STATE

vs.

Lawrence James

Indictment for

Grand Larceny

It appearing to the Court that the said Lawrence James  
together with H. N. Pettis, Vernon Ryals, and John W. Jones

agreed to pay the State of Alabama  
the sum of Five Hundred and No/100 DOLLARS  
unless the said Lawrence James appeared at this term of the  
Court to answer in this case; and the said Lawrence James  
having failed to appear, it is therefore ordered that the State of Alabama for the use of Baldwin  
County, recover of the said Lawrence James, H. N. Pettis, Vernon Ryals, and John W. Jones

on said undertaking,  
the sum of Five Hundred and No/100 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 Lawrence James, H. N. Pettis,  
Vernon Ryals and John W. Jones 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 7th day of May A. D. 1954

Amie J. Smith Clerk

RECEIVED IN OFFICE

May 5, 1954

Naylor Williams, Sheriff

I have executed this writ,

this May 21, 1954

by serving copy on

Lawrence James  
H. N. Gullett  
Vernon Royals +  
John W. Jones

J. H. Brock, Sheriff  
Ralph Crussell, Deputy Sheriff

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The State of Alabama,  
Baldwin County

COURT

The State  
VS.

LAWRENCE JAMES

Sci. Fa. to Defaulting Defendant  
and Bail

Issued 5-7-54, 19

Alice J. Duck, Clerk

The State of Alabama, {  
Baldwin County

We, Lawrence James, as  
principal, and undersigned as sureties agree to pay THE STATE OF ALABAMA, the sum of  
Five hundred DOLLARS  
unless the said Lawrence James 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

Grand Larceny  
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 constitu-  
tion 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.

Taken and approved this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 1953

Lawrence James L. S.  
H. N. Potts L. S.  
Vernon R. Ricks L. S.  
John W. James L. S.  
Taylor Wilkins, Sheriff  
By W. M. Rags, Deputy Sheriff

This is a good and sufficient bond if presented to me in my County I would approve same.

This the 17th day of September 1953

John H. Brock  
SHERIFF

BY                       
DEPUTY SHERIFF

*John H. Brock*

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

The State of Alabama,  
Baldwin County.

\_\_\_\_\_ Court

Sheriff's Office

THE STATE

VS.

Sheriff's Appearance Bond

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

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

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

The State of Alabama, {  
Baldwin County

We, Lawrence James, as  
principal, and undersigned as sureties agree to pay THE STATE OF ALABAMA, the sum of  
Five Hundred DOLLARS  
unless the said Lawrence James appears at the  
NEXT Term, 1953 of the Circuit Court Court of Baldwin County, Alabama  
and from term to term thereafter until discharged by law, to answer a criminal prosecution for the offense of

Embezzlement

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.

Taken and approved this the 14 day of Sept 1953

✓ Lawrence James L. S.

✓ H. A. P. [unclear] L. S.

✓ Vernon [unclear] L. S.

John W. [unclear] L. S.

[Signature] Sheriff  
By \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy Sheriff

This is a good and sufficient bond if presented to me in my County I would approve same.

This the 14th day of September 1953

John H. Black  
SHERIFF

BY DEPUTY SHERIFF

Subscribed before me this 14th day of September 1953

Notary Public for the State of Alabama

Witness my hand and the seal of my office this 14th day of September 1953 at Birmingham, Alabama.

address is Evergreen, Ala.

No. <u>1697</u>	
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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STATE OF ALABAMA

Baldwin County

Case No.

5229

No. 4694

The State of Alabama

vs.

In the

Justice

Court of

Baldwin County, Alabama

Lawrence James  
Before me, J. C. Hand, 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 100 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

Duff House

Sheriff

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

14

day of

Sept

1953

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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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 Emmett Middleton 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 26 June 1953 that one Lawrence James  
embezzled, or fraudulently converted to his own use, money to about the amount of  
\$ 70.00 in U. S. Currency. The personal property of Emmett Middleton

against the peace and dignity of the State of Alabama

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 27day of June, A. D., 19 53T. C. Hand, J. P. Emmett Middleton

## WARRANT

State Of Alabama, }  
Baldwin County. }

To Any Lawful Officer of Said County, Greetings:

You are hereby commanded to arrest Lawrence Jamesand bring himbefore me to answer the State of Alabama on a chargeEMBEZZLEMENT

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

Witness my hand this 27 day of June, 19 53T. C. Hand, J. P.

address: Ewegren, al.

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**The State of Alabama,**  
Baldwin County.

JUSTICE COURT OF  
T. O. HAND

**AFFIDAVIT**

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
VS.

LAWRENCE JAMES

Witnesses for the State:

Emmett Middleton

J. M. Waters.

H. F. Hall

Justice Court of  
Baldwin County

**WARRANT of ARREST**

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
VS.

LAWRENCE JAMES

Executed this 11 day of Sept 1953

By arresting the within

named Defendant

and placing him

Taylor Wilkin, Sheriff

H. F. Hall, Deputy Sheriff

Brentor R. R.  
Gulf shores

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STATE OF ALABAMA

vs.

LAWRENCE JAMES,

Defendant.

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I IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

I BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

I AT LAW NO. 1697

Comes the Defendant in the above styled cause and demurs to the indictment returned against him in said cause by the Grand Jury of Baldwin County, Alabama, and assigns the following separate and several grounds, viz:

1. That said indictment does not state a crime under the laws of the State of Alabama.

2. That the allegation in the said indictment that the Defendant feloniously took and carried away seventy dollars (\$70.00) does not allege that the seventy dollars (\$70.00) was in lawful currency of the United States of America.

3. For aught that appears from said indictment the seventy dollars (\$70.00) referred to could be Confederate money and have no legal value.

4. That the personal property alleged to have been taken by the Defendant is not sufficiently described.

5. That said indictment does not state the denomination of the pieces of money stolen or that such denomination is unknown to the Grand Jury.

  
Attorneys For Defendant.

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Filed 7.28.54  
Alice J. French  
clerk

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

Attorneys	Case	Charge
	THE STATE OF ALABAMA,	
No. 5229	Vs.	
	Lawrence James	Embezzlement

	Disposition of Case	Fees	Amount
	Affidavit made and Warrant Issued to Emmett Middleton	Judge's Fees	
	Returnable Grand Jury	Warrant at 50c, Affidavit at 25c	75
	Witness—for State Emmett Middleton	Bond at 50c, Sci Fa. at 50c	
	J. M. Watson	Witnesses' Recognizances at 25c	
	H. F. Hall	Subpoenas or notice at 25c	
		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 \$2.00, Bond \$1.00, Sci Fa. 50c	4.00
		Guard \$2.00, Finger Printing 10c	
		Subpoenas at 50c, Mileage	
		Witness Fees	
		Days at 50c	
		Days at 50c	
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		Days at 50c	
		Defendant's Costs	
		Witnesses' Recognizance at 25c	
		Subpoenas at 50c	
		Executing Subpoenas	

14 Sept 53

Placed before Grand Jury  
for actionD. L. Reed  
Justice of Peace

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