

The State of Alabama,

Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT,

Fall

SESSION, 19 62

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

William Ezell unlawfully, but without malice, or the intention to kill, killed George Lajoie, by negligently driving an automobile into a truck,

against the peace and dignity of the State of Alabama.

*James C. Beaulieu*  
Solicitor of the Twenty-Eight Judicial Circuit.

RECORDED

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

STATE OF ALABAMA  
Baldwin County

Circuit Court

Fall, Term 19 62

THE STATE  
vs.

William Ezell

Manslaughter- 2nd

INDICTMENT

no Prosecutor

WITNESSES:

Ben Smith

Cpl. Bankston 1-60-3,75

GRAND JURY NO. 40

A TRUE BILL

George P. R. R. R.  
Foreman Grand Jury

Filed in open Court and in the presence of  
the Grand Jury on the 12 day of  
Sept, 1962

Reverend J. R. R.  
Clerk

Presented in open Court to the presiding  
Judge by the Foreman of the Grand Jury, in  
the presence of 12 other Grand Jurors.

Reverend J. R. R.  
Clerk

Bail fixed \$ 300

1 Mike  
Judge

*minutes*

OFFICES OF  
CHARLES HOFFMAN  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
510 FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING  
MOBILE, ALABAMA 36602

July 9, 1965

Mrs. Alice Duck, Clerk  
Circuit Court of Baldwin County  
Baldwin County Courthouse  
Bay Minette, Ala.

Dear Mrs. Duck:                      In re: William Ezell

Reference is made to our telephone conversation concerning William Ezell. Agreement was made with Mr. Jim Hendricks, Solicitor, that a plea of guilty to reckless driving would be entered when the civil cases against Woodhaven Dairy, Inc. et al were disposed of, and pursuant to inquiry from you my check is enclosed for \$151.25. It is my understanding that this is the correct amount to pay the fine and costs of court in connection with the case.

If there is any difference or problem in connection with conclusion of the case on the foregoing basis, it will be appreciated if you will let me know at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your courtesy and cooperation.

Very truly yours,

*Charles Hoffman*  
Charles Hoffman

H/r  
enc.

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OFFICES OF  
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June 23, 1965

Mrs. Alice Duck, Clerk  
Baldwin County Court House  
Bay Minette, Ala.

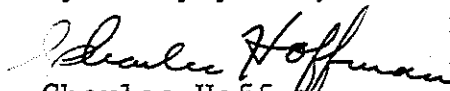
Dear Mrs. Duck:            In re: William Ezell

There is a case on the Criminal Docket against William Ezell. He was indicted for manslaughter, second degree, and an agreement was made to enter a plea of guilty to a charge of reckless driving, whereupon a fine of \$50.00 would be assessed. This was arranged to be effective when civil cases pending in the Circuit Court of Mobile County are disposed of.

These civil cases are still pending, in Mobile, but there is a possibility that they will be concluded. In that connection, it is desired to know the amount payable in connection with the plea of guilty for reckless driving. I do not recall whether costs of Court were to be taxed in addition to the fine of \$50.00.

Your courtesy in advising me of the amount to be paid to conclude the Criminal case will be appreciated. Thanking you for your courtesy and cooperation, I am,

Very truly yours,

  
Charles Hoffman

H/r

The State of Alabama, }  
Baldwin County

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA:

An indictment having been found against

William Egell

at the 2 Fall Term, 1942 of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, for the offense of

Manslaughter - 2nd

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 12 day of Sept, 1942.

Willie J. Luck  
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 hand and seal this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_.

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

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

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

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

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

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

CAPIAS

No. 40

THE STATE

vs.

William Ezell

Bail fixed in this case in open Court at

\$200.00

By H. M. Hall  
Judge Presiding.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk.

Executed this 18 day of Sept, 1962

By arresting the within

named Defendant

and placing him in jail

Taylor Wilkins, Sheriff

W. O. Garner, Deputy Sheriff

Mobile Co. Gene

# APPEARANCE BOND

MOORE PRINTING COMPANY - BAY MINETTE, ALA.

The State of Alabama, }

Baldwin County

We William E. Ezell, as  
principal, and undersigned as sureties agree to pay THE STATE OF ALABAMA, the sum of  
\$500.00 DOLLARS  
unless the said WILLIAM E. EZELL appears at the  
SEPT. 27 Term, 1962 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  
MANSLAUGHTER

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.

Taken and approved this the 18 day of Sept 1962

Taylor Wilkins, Sheriff  
By Hollingsworth, Deputy Sheriff

William E. Ezell L. S.  
McKee Bunting L. S.  
Harvey L. S.  
L. S.

9/18/62  
GARNER

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

State of Alabama  
Baldwin County

\_\_\_\_\_ Court

Sheriff's Office

The State  
vs.

Sheriff's Appearance Bond

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

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

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



# APPEARANCE BOND

MOORE PRINTING COMPANY - BAY MINETTE, ALA.

The State of Alabama, {  
Baldwin County

We William Eugene Ezell, as  
principal, and undersigned as sureties agree to pay THE STATE OF ALABAMA, the sum of  
\$500.00 DOLLARS  
unless the said William Eugene Ezell appears at the  
SEPT. Term, 1962 of the GRAND JURY Court of Baldwin County, Alabama  
and from term to term thereafter until discharged by law, to answer a criminal prosecution for the offense of  
FIRST DEGREE MANSLAUGHTER

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.

William Eugene Ezell S.  
Mobile Bonding Co. S.  
Harold Saye L. S.  
\_\_\_\_\_ L. S.

Taken and approved this the 5th day of April, 1962

Van Idlerstine

Taylor Perkins Sheriff  
By Hollingsworth, Deputy Sheriff

OK By - Mobile Bonding Harold Saye.

CPL. BANKSTON

4/5/62

No. 58

State of Alabama

Baldwin County

\_\_\_\_\_ Court

Sheriff's Office

The State

vs.

Sheriff's Appearance Bond

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

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

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

WARRANT

State Of Alabama, }  
Baldwin County. }

To Any Lawful Officer of Said County. Greetings:

You are hereby commanded to arrest

William Eugene Ezell

and bring him

before W. R. Stuart

to answer the State of Alabama on a charge

did unlawfully, but without malice or the intent to kill, killed

George Edward LaJoie by negligently operating a motor vehicle in Baldwin

County, Alabama, by running said motor vehicle in which George Edward Lejoie  
was riding into or upon or against a motor vehicle being driven by William

H. Dearborn

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

Witness my hand this

7

day of

April

1969

W. R. Stuart

J. P.

MITTIMUS OR COMMITMENT

State Of Alabama, }  
Baldwin County. }

To the Jailer of Baldwin County:

On complaint of J. C. Bankston

charging William Eugene Ezell

with the offense of Manslaughter

it appearing that such offense has been committed, and that there is sufficient cause to believe that

William Eugene Ezell

therefore commanded to receive him into your custody, and detain him until he is legally discharged.

Dated this

7

day of

April

19

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W. R. Stuart

Justice of the Peace.

JUSTICE COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY

Warrant Of Arrest

THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
vs.

*William Eugene Ezell*  
Executed this the ..... day of *April* 19.....

By arresting the within named Defendant

and placing him or her *in Jail*

....., Sheriff

....., Deputy Sheriff

*J. C. Banks*, Highway Patrol

Personally appeared the under signed,  
who being duly sworn desposes and says:  
I am a Deputy Sheriff of Baldwin Co.,  
Ala., In the above case, in the above  
mentioned Court in executing the warr-  
ant of arrest of the defendant, I traveled

*12*  
miles by the most direct route to point of  
arrest and return, and the Sheriff is en-  
titled to milage at 10c per mile. Point of  
arrest: .....

Signed .....

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

..... day of ..... 19.....

.....  
Clerk J. P. Court

*J.C.P.*  
Criminal Docket No. ....

No. ....

Page.....

The State Of Alabama

Baldwin County

JUSTICE COURT OF

*A. P. M. Murtree*

THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
vs.

*William Eugene Ezell*  
*Manslaughter*

Mittimus

The State of Alabama

Baldwin County

I, *A. P. M. Murtree*

a Justice of the Peace in and for said State

and County, do and hereby certify that.....

*William Eugene Ezell*

the Defendant; is required to give bail in the

sum of \$ *300.00* for his appearance at the

19*62* Term of the *County*

Court of *Bald* County, Ala.

Given under hand this the *7*

day of *April* 19*62*

*A. P. Murtree* J. P.

AFFIDAVIT

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State Of Alabama, }  
Baldwin County. }

In the Justice Court of Percy VanInderstine

Before me, Percy VanInderstine, Justice of the Peace

in and for said County, personally appeared, J. A. C. Bankston 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 March 27, 1962 that one William Eugene Ezell did unlawfully  
but without malice or the intent to kill, killed George Edward Lajoie by  
negligently operating a motor vehicle in Baldwin County, Alabama, by running  
said vehicle in which Lajoie was riding into or upon or against a motor vehicle  
being driven by William H. Dearborn against the peace and dignity of the State of Alabama

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 7

day of April, A. D., 1962

Percy VanInderstine, J. P.

J. C. Bankston

## The State Of Alabama

BALDWIN COUNTY

Justice Court Of

*W. P. Thistle*

## AFFIDAVIT

THE STATE OF ALABAMA

vs.

*William Eugene Ezell*

Witnesses for the State

*List attached*

## DESCRIPTION

Height..... Weight.....

Color..... Sex.....

Age..... Hair.....

Address .....

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~~WITNESSES~~

INJURED:

Joe Turner  
c/o Star Fish and Oyster Company, or  
404 South Broad Street, Mobile, Alabama

Ben Rushing  
404 South Broad Street  
Mobile, Alabama

WITNESSES:

Hollis Davis  
253 Chidester St.  
Mobile, Alabama

Clarice Jones  
Penida Island Estates,  
Causeway

Benjamin Smith  
Ben's Bar-B-Que,  
Causeway

Willie Williams  
P.O. Box 57  
Saraland, Alabama, or  
Buckley's Service Station,  
Causeway

Richard Hawie  
107½ Pecan St.  
Fairhope, Alabama

Keith Dobbs  
1050½ Dauphin St.  
Mobile, Alabama

George Christaphen McRae  
Route, Saraland, Alabama

Betty Ezell  
113 Eslava  
Mobile, Alabama

William Ezelle  
113 Eslava St.  
Mobile, Alabama

Joe Turner  
c/o Star Fish and Oyster Co.,  
Mobile, Alabama

Ben Rushing-113 Eslava St.  
Mobile, Alabama

STATE OF ALABAMA

Baldwin County

Case No. 40

No. 11681

The State of Alabama

vs.

In the Cir Court of  
Baldwin County, Alabama

William G. Wilkins  
Before me, Arthur J. Davis, 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 60 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 Mobile Co. Line James Wilkins Sheriff

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19 day of Sept, 1932

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 \_\_\_\_\_, 1932

Judge of the above named court



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

Attorneys	Case	Charge
<i>None</i>	THE STATE OF ALABAMA,	<i>First Degree Manslaughter</i>
No.	Vs.	
	<i>William Eugene Ezell</i>	

Disposition of Case		Fees	Amount
Affidavit made and Warrant Issued to	<i>Col. J.C. Bankston A.H.P.</i>	Judge's Fees	
Returnable	<i>Probate Judge W.B. STUART</i>	Warrant at 50c, Affidavit at 25c	<i>75</i>
Witness—for State	<i>attached copy</i>	Bond at 50c, Sci Fa. at 50c	
		Witnesses' Recognizances at 25c	
		Subpoenas or notice at 25c	
		Continuance at 25c	
		Trial of Misdemeanor at \$1.00	
		Mittimus at 25c	
		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	
		Guard \$2.00, Finger Printing 10c	
		Subpoenas at 50c, Mileage	
		Witness Fees	
		Days at 50c	
		Days at 50c	
		Days at 50c	
		Days at 50c	
		Days at 50c	
		Days at 50c	
		Days at 50c	
		Defendant's Costs	
		Witnesses' Recognizance at 25c	
		Subpoenas at 50c	
		Executing Subpoenas	

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