

GEORGIA, PICKENS COUNTY

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF PICKENS COUNTY

The Grand Jurors selected, chosen and sworn for the County of Pickens to wit:

- 1. Christopher Adam Payne, Foreperson
- 2. Alan Morris
- 3. Marcus Jesse Walker
- 4. Cheryl Ann Carmody
- 5. Danny Lee Cruikshank
- 6. Anne M. Bopp
- 7. James Cody McFarland
- 8. Donald Wayne Martin
- 9. Martha Ann Baldwin
- 10. Diane M. Jones
- 11. June Elizabeth Ash
- 12. Lisa Lowery Duckett
- 13. Heidi Marie Smith
- 14. Sandra Daniell Scarbrough
- 15. Audrey Jewell Blaine
- 16. Jason Timothy Bernerth
- 17. Stuart Anthony Martin
- 18. Steven M. McDowell
- 19. Candy Chism DiPrima
- 20. David Michael Bowers
- 21. Amanda Leigh Romero
- 22. Vanessa Kaitlin Stancil
- 23. David Paul Croft

COUNT 1 (O.C.G.A. 16-9-121)

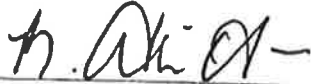
THE GRAND JURORS AFORESAID, IN THE NAME AND BEHALF OF THE CITIZENS OF GEORGIA, charge and accuse MARK BRANNON THOMASON AND RUSSELL STOOKEY, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS PARTIES CONCERNED IN THE COMMISSION OF A CRIME, with the offense of IDENTITY FRAUD, for that the said accused, on the 3rd day of June, 2016, in the County and State aforesaid, without consent of Brenda S. Weaver or notification to Brenda S. Weaver, as depositor as set forth O.C.G.A. Section 7-1-360(b), did unlawfully commit the offense of Identity Fraud in violation of O.C.G.A. 16-9-121(a)(1), by willfully and fraudulently using a checking account number, identifying information of Brenda S. Weaver, Superior Court Judge, Appalachian Judicial Circuit, by uttering a document titled Subpoena for the Production of Evidence containing said identifying information to Stearns Bank N.A., a financial institution, with intent to unlawfully appropriate resources of said victim, contrary to the laws of this State, the good order, peace and dignity thereof.

COUNT 2 (O.C.G.A. 16-9-122)

THE GRAND JURORS AFORESAID, IN THE NAME AND BEHALF OF THE CITIZENS OF GEORGIA, charge and accuse MARK BRANNON THOMASON AND RUSSELL STOOKEY, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS PARTIES CONCERNED IN THE COMMISSION OF A CRIME, with the offense of ATTEMPT TO COMMIT IDENTITY FRAUD, for that the said accused, in the County and State aforesaid, did unlawfully in violation of O.C.G.A. Section 16-9-122 attempted to commit the crime of Identity Fraud, in violation of O.C.G.A. 16-9-121, between the dates of June 3, 2016 and June 17, 2016 in that the said accused did knowingly and intentionally perform acts which constituted a substantial step toward the commission of said crime in that the accused did utter a document titled Subpoena for the Production of Evidence to Stearns Bank N.A., a financial institution, without the consent of the Brenda S. Weaver or notification to Brenda S. Weaver, as depositor as set forth in O.C.G.A. Section 7-1-360(b), and further by attempting to access the financial information and resources provided by Stearns Bank N.A. to the accused with the intent to possess and fraudulently use the identifying information of the Brenda S. Weaver, Superior Court Judge, Appalachian Judicial Circuit contained within said financial information and resources provided by Stearns Bank N.A. to the accused as a result of the accused's utterance of said subpoena to Stearns Bank N.A., this being a separate and distinct offense than set forth in Count 1, contrary to the laws of this State, the good order, peace and dignity thereof.

COUNT 3 (O.C.G.A. 16-10-20)

THE GRAND JURORS AFORESAID, IN THE NAME AND BEHALF OF THE CITIZENS OF GEORGIA, charge and accuse MARK BRANNON THOMASON with the offense of MAKING A FALSE STATEMENT, for that the said accused, on the 13th day of June, 2016, in the County and State aforesaid, did unlawfully, knowingly and willfully make a false and fictitious representation to Robert P. Jones, Chairman of the Pickens County Board of Commissioners, said Board of Commissioners being an agency of Pickens County, Georgia government, a political subdivision, in a matter within the jurisdiction of said agency, when the accused requested documents pursuant to the Open Records Act in an electronic communication to Robert P. Jones, in his official capacity as Chairman of the Pickens County Board of Commissioners, and specifically requested "the actual cleared checks (front/back) that Pickens County has written to Judge Brenda Weaver and Judge Roger Bradley for Pickens County's portion of the quarterly operating account expenses for the judges from the years 2013, 2014, and 2015" and further stated "after reviewing only the checks written on behalf of Fannin County for the 2015 year and finding that, according to several banks, some of these checks appear to have not been deposited but cashed illegally," knowing the same to contain a false and fictitious representation, contrary to the laws of this State, the good order, peace and dignity thereof.

/s/  \_\_\_\_\_ Prosecuting Attorney  
B. Alison Sosebee, District Attorney  
Appalachian Judicial Circuit