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Grant Walraven
Clerk

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF GORDON

The Gordon County Superior Court convened on Monday, December 5, 2016 at 9:00 a.m., with the Honorable David K. Smith, Judge, Superior Courts, Cherokee Circuit presiding. After Court was called to order, the following persons were selected as Grand Jurors for the December Term, 2016

1. BRIAN PIERCE, FOREPERSON

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| 2. ROBIN G. DUVALL | 13. MARY B. DEAN |
| 3. BENJA C. CURTIS | 14. ELAINE BURNETT |
| 4. JENNIFER L. COTHRAN | 15. TRAVIS STEPHEN RALSTON |
| 5. JENNIFER GLASS NICHOLSON | 16. LAURA CHADWICK RALSTON |
| 6. ROBERT W. COLE | 17. FRANCES PAMELA MCCLAMROCK |
| 7. SAM A. RICKETT | 18. PAT HALL |
| 8. SHELLY MULLINAX | 19. MELISSA F. WATERS |
| 9. RICHARD S. CORN | 20. KATELAND N. SCOTT |
| 10. H. RANDALL SWANSON | 21. THOMAS WALTER HARCROW |
| 11. KENNETH E. LEONARD, SR. | 22. HENRY L. SMITH |
| 12. CLYDE A. GARLAND | |

The following persons were elected to serve as officers for this Grand Jury:

- 1) BRIAN PIERCE, FOREPERSON
- 2) CLYDE A. GARLAND, VICE-FOREPERSON
- 2) JENNIFER GLASS NICHOLSON, CLERK
- 4) SAM A. RICKETT, DOORPERSON
- 5) CLIFF ROBERTS, GRAND JURY BAILIFF

Judge David K. Smith charged and instructed the Grand Jury after District Attorney Rosemary Greene administered the statutory oath to both the Foreperson and then to all other members of this Grand Jury, as well as, the required oaths to this grand jury's bailiffs, and some of the traverse jury bailiffs for this term of court.

We thank District Attorney Rosemary Greene and her Assistant District Attorneys for their legal opinions and the whole staff for the assistance in the proceedings as to criminal cases presented to this Grand Jury. Also we commend our law enforcement personnel for the excellent job they do and also commend the officers who appeared before this body from all the different local agencies for their efficiency, appearance and professionalism. Finally, we thank our Bailiff, Mr. Cliff Roberts, for his service and courtesy to this body. We recommend that Mr. Roberts be paid an additional day's pay for his performance and all extra duties and services that he provided this body. We would like to thank Hon. Grant Walraven, Clerk of Court in providing breakfast, we appreciate his generosity. Additionally, we thank Sheriff Mitch Ralston and his officers and staff for the tour of the new jail and offices and also for the Sheriff's Auxiliary in preparing a lunch following the tour.

1. We have examined all criminal cases presented by the District Attorney's Office and reported 24 True Bills and 2 No Bills.
2. In accordance with our statutory duties (O.C.G.A. § 36-1-7) on the first day of this term, this body received the written financial reports of the following County Officers, who also voluntarily appeared and reviewed each report, as follows:

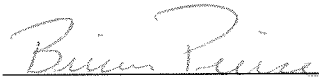
- (1) Hon. Mitch Ralston, Sheriff of Gordon County along with Chief Deputy Robert Paris and Major Pat Bedford;
- (2) Hon. Scott Clements, Tax Commissioner;
- (3) Hon. John R. (Richie) Parker, Judge of Probate Court;
- (4) Hon. Grant Walraven, Clerk of Court; and
- (5) Mr. John King, Administrator, Gordon County Government.

All financial reports have been examined and all are accepted as submitted. We appreciate and thank these officials for the job each is doing.

3. We authorize our Foreperson to call this Grand Jury back into session any time during our appointed term, if he warrants it necessary.

4. We recommend these presentments be spread upon the minutes of the Court and be published in the legal organ of Gordon County.

This 20th day February, 2017.



BRIAN PIERCE
FOREPERSON



CLYDE A. GARLAND
VICE FOREPERSON

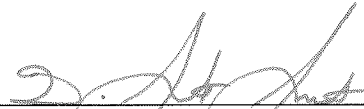


JENNIFER GLASS NICHOLSON
CLERK

ORDER OF THE COURT

Presented in open court, let the same be filed and spread upon the minutes of the Court. Let these presentments be published in the legal organ of Gordon County.

This 20th day of February, 2017.



Hon. D. Scott Smith
Judge, Superior Court
Cherokee Judicial Circuit