

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,

COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM, to-wit:

In the Circuit Court of said County:

The grand jurors in and for the body of said county of Rockingham and now attending said Court at its April term, 1926, upon their oaths do present that Charles Shifflett, within one year next prior to the finding of this indictment, in the said county of Rockingham, did unlawfully manufacture, sell, offer, keep, store and expose for sale, give away, transport, dispense, solicit, advertise and receive orders for ardent spirits, against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

The jurors aforesaid upon their oaths aforesaid do further present that Charles Shifflett, within one year next prior to the finding of this indictment, in the said county of Rockingham, did unlawfully have in his possession ardent spirits, against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

The jurors aforesaid upon their oaths aforesaid do further present that Charles Shifflett, within one year next prior to the finding of this indictment, in the said county of Rockingham, did unlawfully receive ardent spirits, against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

This indictment is found on the testimony of R. M. Burke, G. A. Lawson, and Avis Burke, witnesses sworn in Court and sent before the grand jury to give evidence.

Commonwealth of Virginia, }
Rockingham County, } To-wit:

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 4th day of Mar 1926,

Sumner Raynes & James W. Lane
came before me R. H. Bruce

of the said county of Rockingham, and severally and respectively acknowledged themselves to be indebted to the Commonwealth of Virginia, in manner and form following, that is to say: the said Sumner Raynes & James W. Lane in the sum of _____ Dollars

~~good and lawful money of the United States, and the said~~
in the sum of Five Hundred Dollars of like good and lawful money, to be

respectively made and levied of their several goods and chattels, lands and tenements, and they severally waived the benefit of their Homestead Exemption as to this obligation, and also waived any claim or right to discharge any liability to the Commonwealth arising under this recognizance with coupons detached from the bonds of this State, to the use of the Commonwealth of Virginia if the said

Sumner Raynes shall make default in the performance of the conditions underwritten.

The condition of the above recognizance is such that if the above bound Sumner Raynes

do and shall personally appear before the Circuit Court of Rockingham on the 19 day of the Apr Term next

thereof, being the 19 day of Apr 1926, at the Court-house thereof,

and then and there answer the Commonwealth of Virginia concerning a certain mes where-
of the said Sumner Raynes stands charged, and shall not

depart thence without the leave of said Court, then the above recognizance shall be void and of no effect, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Taken and acknowledged before me, the day and year first above written.

R. H. Bruce

Commonwealth of Virginia, }
Rockingham County, } To-wit:

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 4th day of Mar. 1926,

C. H. Sheplett and A. L. Gooden
J. H. Bruce
came before me

of the said county of Rockingham, and severally and respectively acknowledged themselves to be indebted to the Commonwealth of Virginia, in manner and form following, that is to say: the said C. H. Sheplett and A. L. Gooden in the sum of _____ Dollars

~~good and lawful money of the United States, and the said~~
in the sum of Five Hundred & Dollars of like good and lawful money, to be

respectively made and levied of their several goods and chattels, lands and tenements, and they severally waived the benefit of their Homestead Exemption as to this obligation, and also waived any claim or right to discharge any liability to the Commonwealth arising under this recognizance with coupons detached from the bonds of this State, to the use of the Commonwealth of Virginia if the said C. H. Sheplett shall make default in the performance of the conditions underwritten.

The condition of the above recognizance is such that if the above bound C. H. Sheplett do and shall personally appear before the Circuit

Court of Rockingham on the 15th day of the Apr. ~~Term next~~ thereof, being the 19th day of Apr. 1926, at the Court-house thereof,

and then and there answer the Commonwealth of Virginia concerning a certain mis where of the said C. H. Sheplett stands charged, and shall not depart thence without the leave of said Court, then the above recognizance shall be void and of no effect, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Taken and acknowledged before me, the day and year first above written.

J. H. Bruce

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BOND

Commonwealth of Virginia,
Rockingham County,

To-wit:

Be it Remembered that on the _____ day of _____ 19____
_____ came before me _____
of the said county of Rockingham, and severally and respectively acknowledged themselves to be the _____ of the _____ of Virginia, in and to the _____ following, to-wit: _____
in the sum of _____ Dollars of like good and lawful money, to be _____ and lawful money of the United States, and the said _____
respectively made and levied of their several goods and chattels, lands and tenements, and they severally waived the benefit of their Homestead Exemption as to this obligation, and also waived any claim or right to discharge any liability to the Commonwealth arising under this recognizance with coupons detached from the bonds of this State, to the use of the Commonwealth of Virginia if the said _____ shall make default in the performance of the conditions hereunder written.

The condition of the above recognizance is such that if the above bound _____ do and shall personally appear before the _____ Court of Rockingham on the _____ day of _____ 19____, at the Court house there, and then and there answer the Commonwealth of Virginia concerning a certain _____ of the said _____ stands charged, and shall not depart therefrom without the leave of said Court, then the above recognizance shall be void and of no effect, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Taken and acknowledged before me the day and year first above written.

Commonwealth of Virginia--City, County of

to-wit:

WHEREASof the said Co City or County

has this day made complaint and information on oath before me, L. T. Brown Name of Magistrate Title

of the said Co that he verily believes for reasons hereinafter stated in the said Co and State City or County

(a) Ardent Spirits are being unlawfully manufactured, sold, kept, stored possessed, held, used, and concealed in a certain Dewey Home and out Building Here describe the place, house, room or boat, as the case may be

by one Clem Sheffell Give name; if name unknown, say "Whose name is to the informant unknown."

(b) A still, still cap, worm, tubs, fermenters and other appliances connected with such still and used, and mash and other substances, capable of being used, in the manufacture of Ardent Spirits, are unlawfully in the possession of, and unlawfully used by one Give name; if name unknown say "Whose name is to the informant unknown."

in a certain Here describe place as in (a) above

(c) Ardent Spirits are being unlawfully kept, held, stored, concealed, used, sold, and unlawfully transported in certain baggage or a certain vehicle, to-wit: a certain Here describe vehicle, auto, wagon, carriage, buggy, boat, baggage or what not

by one Here give name, or describe as in (a) above

And there being reasonable and probable cause for such belief, on account of the following facts stated by the affiant and others, to-wit: that On complaint of Citizens

unlawfully used the manufacture of Ardent Spirits

This is to certify that I have this day issued a search warrant to search the said Here say place, house, room, boat

Dewey Home and out Building auto or baggage, or as the case may be

for the said Ardent Spirits Here state what is to be searched for as, "Ardent Spirits," still, still cap, mash or what not.

Given under my hand this 18 day of 192.....

Title of Magistrate.

Approved by J.S.T.

81
this bond you return

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AFFIDAVIT FOR A WARRANT TO SEARCH FOR ARDENT SPIRITS, ETC.

Commonwealth of Virginia

vs.
Chas. Shiflett

Filed in the Clerk's Office of the

Court of the of Va.
County or City Name

Court of the

Virginia, this day of 192.....

Clerk

By D. C.

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Commonwealth of Virginia—City, County of

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Arrest Warrant

Commonwealth of Virginia, } To-Wit:
Rockingham County,

To Sheff, a Constable of said County:

Whereas, N. M. Burke of the said County, has this day made complaint and information on oath before me, J. H. Bruce, a Justice of the said County, that Chas Shefflett

of the said County, on the 18 day of Feb, 1926, in the said County, did unlawfully have in his possession certain
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These are therefore, in the name of the Commonwealth of Virginia, to command you forthwith to apprehend and bring before me, or some other Justice of the said County, the body of the said

to answer the said complaint and to be further dealt with according to law. And you are required to summon _____

to appear and give evidence in behalf of the Commonwealth, on the examination touching the said offence.

Given under my hand and seal this 18 day of Feb, in the year 1926.

J. H. Bruce J. P. [Seal]

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon.....

T. S. Yancey, John Goodin, Mrs. Jane
Shifflett, E. D. Sellers, Elmer Sours,
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to appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Rockingham County, at the Court
House thereof, at 10 o'clock, a. m., on the 7th day of May 19 20
to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth against

Chas. Shifflett

who stands charged with and indicted for a felony ~~misdemeanor~~.

And this they shall not omit under the penalty of £100. And have then
and there this Writ.

Witness, J. F. BLACKBURN, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court House, the
29th day of April, 19 20, and in the 14th year of the Commonwealth.

J. F. Blackburn, Clerk.

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon.....

R. M. Burke, Anis Burke & J. A. Lawson

to appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Rockingham County, at the Court House thereof, at 10 o'clock, a. m., on the *7th* day of *May* 19 *26* to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth against.....

Charles Shifflett

who stands charged with and indicted for a ~~felony~~ misdemeanor.

And this *they* shall not omit under the penalty of £100. And have then and there this Writ.

Witness, J. F. BLACKBURN, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court House, the *28th* day of *April*, 19 *26*, and in the *14⁵⁴*th year of the Commonwealth.

J. F. Blackburn, Clerk.

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia,
Shelby County, Greening;

Executed April 30, 1926 by delivering a true Copy of the

within Summons to the within named witnesses

in person, B. W. Dove, Sr. & Co.

Carroll

vs.

Charles Shifflett

W. B. Dove, Jr. & Co.

Sheriff fee \$1.50

May 7, 1926

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon.....

*R. M. Burke, G. A. Lawson, &
Auis Burke*

*to appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Rockingham County, at the Court
House thereof, at 10 o'clock, a. m., on the 19th day of April, 1926
to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth before the Grand Jury*

vs. Chas. Shifflett

who stands charged with and indicted for a ~~felony~~ misdemeanor.

*And this they shall not omit under the penalty of £100. And have then
and there this Writ.*

*Witness, J. F. BLACKBURN, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court House, the
10th day of April, 1926 and in the 19th year of the Commonwealth.*

J. F. Blackburn, Clerk.

Executed APR 15 1925 by delivering a true Copy of the

within Summons to the within named witnesses

each in person

C. W. Dove, S. R. C.

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Virginia:

Commonwealth

vs.
Chas. Shifflett.

Sheriff fee \$1.00

we the Jury find
the accused
Charles Shuffe & Gully and
fix his fine one month
in jail, 50.⁰⁰ fine

A. S. Sumption
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J. D. Ginn
~~W. H. Ginn~~
C.P.

S. M. Munnick

A. P. Sumpster

J. B. Neatmore

J. W. Wadley

~~J. H. Lindsey~~



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Apr. Term 1926

Misd.

COMMONWEALTH

VS.

(Pro.)

CHARLES SHIFFETT

1/27 July 1926 14,83

J. D. Grim
 E. M. Minnick
 A. P. Sumption
 J. B. Heatwole
 Jno. W. Hasler

Sheriff Costs
 Prem & arrest 11.50
 Imp. July 1.50
 Search warrant 1.00
 Summons 5.50
 \$19.50

assigned



5.50
 2.75
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 10.75

convict ^{home} 1 mo & capable
 till costs & fees - not
 to be over 3 months add.



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