

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, 1928, upon their oaths do present that Victoria Davis, who was heretofore on the 24th day of February, 1927, convicted of violating the Prohibition laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, in the Circuit Court of said Rockingham County, and who then and there was sentenced to pay a fine of fifty dollars and serve for a period of seven months in jail, did, within one year next prior to the finding of this indictment, in the said county of Rockingham, unlawfully and feloniously 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 Victoria Davis, who was heretofore on the 24th day of February, 1927, convicted of violating the Prohibition laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, in the Circuit Court of said Rockingham County, and who then and there was sentenced to pay a fine of fifty dollars and to serve for a period of seven months in jail, did, within one year next prior to the finding of this indictment, in the said county of Rockingham, unlawfully and feloniously have in her possession ardent spirits, against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

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said county of Rockingham, unlawfully and feloniously receive ardent spirits, against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

This indictment is found on the testimony of G. A. Lawson and W. T. Rexrode, witnesses sworn in Court and sent before the grand jury to give evidence.

B I - SWD

Commonwealth

Attorney General

Rockingham

James B. Jones

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Commonwealth

v) Indictment

Victoria Davis

Felony

April term, 1928

A True Bill:

J. W. Swank  
Foreman

D. W. Earman  
Commonwealth's Attorney

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**In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:**

**To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Greeting:**

*You are hereby commanded to summon*

*G. A. Lawson, W. T. Reynolds &  
J. Robert Switzer*

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 *12th* day of *Sept.* 19 *28* to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth against

*Victoria Davis*

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. ROBERT SWITZER, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court House, the *7th* day of *Sept.* 19 *28*, and in the *133d* year of the Commonwealth.

*J. Robert Switzer*, Clerk.



Com.

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*[Faint mirrored text from reverse side]*

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Witness, J. ROBERT SWITZER, our said Court, at the Court House, the day of Sept. 1928, and in the 15th year of the Commonwealth.

Sept 12  
JRS

Clerk.

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*vs. Victoria Dams*  
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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.

**J. ROBERT SWITZER,**  
Witness, J. F. BLACKBURN, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court House, the *12th* day of *April* 19*28*, and in the *14th* year of the Commonwealth.

*J. Robert Switzer*, Clerk

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Commonwealth of Virginia

To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon

Victoria Davis

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 18th day of April, 1928 to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth before the GRAND JURY

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who stands charged with and indicted for a felony, and shall not omit under the penalty of \$100. And have there

and there this writ. Witness, J. P. BLACKBURN, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court House, the 18th day of April, 1928, and in the 14th year of the Commonwealth. Clerk

self



Commonwealth of Virginia—City, County of Rockingham to-wit:

To the Prohibition Inspectors, Sheriffs, Sergeants, and all Police Officers and Constables of the State of Virginia—Greeting:

WHEREAS W. J. Rexrode of the said Rockingham City County

has this day made complaint and information on oath before me, W. H. Bruce Name of Magistrate Title J.P.

of the said Rockingham City County that he verily believes, that in the said Rockingham City County and State:

(a) That Ardent Spirits are being unlawfully manufactured, sold, kept, stored, possessed, held, used and concealed

in a certain Newly cut out Bulldog Here describe the place, house, room or boat, as the case may be

by one Victoria Doves 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 cause for such belief:

THESE ARE, THEREFORE, IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, to command you, with all necessary and proper speed and assistance, to search the house, place, baggage, boat or vehicle herein designated, either in day or night, and seize such ardent spirits and their containers and other things apparently possessed or used in violation of law, and bring the same and the person or persons, in whose possession they are found, and also any person resisting, impeding, obstructing, or in any manner hindering or delaying you in the execution of this warrant before me, or some other officer having jurisdiction of the case, to be disposed of and dealt with according to law; and make return of this warrant showing all acts and things done thereunder, with a particular statement and sufficient description of the things seized and the name of the person in whose possession found, if any, and if not found in the possession of any one, so state in your return, and post a true copy of this warrant and the return thereof, as required by law.

Given under my hand and seal this 20 day of dec 1927

W. H. Bruce (SEAL)

Title of Magistrate



DIRECTIONS

1. If only Ardent Spirits and containers be seized, the Magistrate shall fix a time not less than 10 nor more than 30 days from the date of return, for the hearing of said return. If no claimant appear, the Ardent Spirits and articles are to be forfeited to Commonwealth. Any person claiming any of same must file a **written claim** stating particularly the character and extent of his interest therein, whereupon the Magistrate shall certify the warrant, **written claim** and articles claimed, to the Circuit or Corporation Court, as the case may be, for determination, and declare the unclaimed articles forfeited.
2. If still, still cap, worm, tubs, heater, fermenters, or any appliance connected with a still and used, or mash or other substance capable of being used, in the manufacture of Ardent Spirits, be seized, the mash (after taking a sample) shall be destroyed, and the facts and articles seized reported to the Prohibition Commissioner and Commonwealth's Attorney. (A copy of this warrant and proper return will be a sufficient notice and report.) Ardent Spirits and containers disposed of as in No. 1 above.
3. If Ardent Spirits are being transported in an automobile, boat, wagon, buggy, or other vehicle, the Ardent Spirits and containers shall be preserved and the vehicle shall be delivered to the Sergeant of the City, the facts reported to the Prohibition Commissioner and Commonwealth's Attorney and Ardent Spirits and containers disposed of as provided in No. 1 above. (A copy of this warrant and proper return will be a sufficient report.)
4. A copy of this warrant and the return thereon must be posted at the front door of the house, or on the door of the room, or on the premises at the place the Ardent Spirits may be found.

See Sections 21 1-2, 22, 23, 23 1-2, 57 and 57 1-2, Acts of Assembly, 1918, Page 578.

WARRANT TO SEARCH FOR ARDENT SPIRITS, ETC.

Commonwealth of Virginia

vs. *Victoria Davis*

Executed the within warrant this *21<sup>st</sup>* day of *Decr*, 192*7*, by searching the within stated *Premises*

Here state house, room, place

and by seizing the following described Ardent Spirits and other things therein found (and arresting the above named person found in possession thereof) and by posting a true copy of this warrant

and the return hereon on the \_\_\_\_\_

Here say place, house, room, boat,

auto or Baggage, or as case may be

as front door of house, door of room or premises

Description of Ardent Spirits and other things seized

*6 gallons of Liqueur.*

Given under my hand this *21<sup>st</sup>* day of *Decr*, 192*7*.

*H. T. Ramode*  
*State Inspector* Title

The following named officers and persons assisted me in the execution of this warrant:

*G. A. Hanson.*

Other than above stated the following are witnesses:

This matter set for hearing on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 192\_\_\_\_\_.

No claim of ownership or interest in any of the said things seized having been filed herein in compliance with the law, the same are hereby adjudged and declared confiscated and forfeited to the Commonwealth.

Given under my hand this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 192\_\_\_\_\_.

Title of Magistrate

Written claim of ownership or interest having been filed to certain of the said things herein seized, this warrant, the said claim and the things in the claim particularly described, are hereby certified to the \_\_\_\_\_ Court of this \_\_\_\_\_ for determination, and the said things unclaimed are hereby adjudged and declared confiscated and forfeited to the Commonwealth.

Given under my hand this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 192\_\_\_\_\_.

Title of Magistrate

NOTE.—Unless warrant issued for Ardent Spirits being transported in vehicle, boat or baggage, it is to be returned to the jurisdiction from which issued. If issued for Ardent Spirits so transported, it can be executed in any part of the State, and returned to any justice in any county or city through which they are carried.



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COMMONWEALTH

VS ) Felony (Pro.)

VICTORIA DAVIS

Set for Sept 17/28

no jury -

Sheriff - Dunning	2.50
" Capins	1.50





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