

Rockingham County Folio  
To The Sheriff of the said County.

Whereas Chapman  
Shiflet, late of the County aforesaid was this day com-  
mitted to the Jail of this County by my Warrant  
for the murder of Thomas Shiflet his brother, on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of November last past in the  
County aforesaid and  
at appearing to me that the felonious offence  
wherewith he stands charged ought to be examined  
into by the County Court, therefore on behalf  
of the Commonwealth I require you that you  
summon at least eight of the Justices of your  
S<sup>d</sup>. County to meet at the Court house on the  
18<sup>th</sup> day of the present month and then and there  
to hold a Court for the examination of the  
fact with which the said Chapman Shiflet  
stands charged and for such other purposes  
concerning the premises as is by Law required  
and directed and that you have then and there  
this Warrant. Given under our hand this  
10<sup>th</sup> day of January 1833  
Jacob Miller

Summons for the Commonwealth the following witnesses  
Francis Williams, and Guthbert Parkes,



Executed in Richmond P. M. this 20<sup>th</sup> day of  
February 1833  
John Henry Deed Sheriff of said  
County  
Attest  
J. A. M. Houston  
Do Justice of the Peace

County  
Warrant to  
Sheriff  
to Sheriff  
of said  
County  
The 18<sup>th</sup> of January  
1833  
on for further trial

Warrant for call  
Deed



Rockingham County to wit

Whereas Jared Powell of Rockingham  
County hath this day made oath before  
me Jacob Miller a justice of the peace  
for the County aforesaid that on Friday  
Night the 16<sup>th</sup> day of November last past  
Thomas Shiftet of Rockingham County  
was stabbed in his body in diverse  
places whereof he died in about thirty  
hours afterwards & that he the said  
Jared Powell hath good grounds to sus-  
pect & doth suspect that Chapman  
Shiftet of Rockingham County perpe-  
trated the murder aforesaid. These are  
therefore to require you forthwith to appre-  
hend the said Chapman Shiftet &  
bring him before me or some other justice  
of the peace for the said County of  
Rockingham to be dealt with according  
to law. Given under my hand & seal  
this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December 1832  
To your willing Obedt to Execute

Summoned for Witnesses

Jared Powell

Absalom Shiftet

A. Wolf & C. W. Barshaw

H. Clair Barker

Jeremiah Powell

Robt. Powell

Jacob Miller (Seal)

J. P. Miller



Within Warrant Returned Executed by me  
Jan 10<sup>th</sup> 1833  
John Miller Const


Warrant  
of  
Justice


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Rockingham County Council

To John Miller Constable of the said County, and to the  
keeper of the Jail of the said County. These are to com-  
mand you the said Constable in the name of the Common-  
wealth to convey and deliver into the custody of the said  
keeper of the said Jail the body of Chapman Shiflet  
late of the County of Rockingham charged before us  
for having ~~stabbed~~ <sup>of the county of</sup> Thomas Shiflet on Friday night  
the 16<sup>th</sup> day of November last past with three ven-  
erous wounds of which he died, and you the said Jailor  
are hereby required to receive the said Chapman Shiflet  
into your Jail and custody and keep him there safely to keep  
till he shall thence be discharged by due course of  
Law Given under our hands and seals this 10<sup>th</sup>  
day of January 1833<sup>1834</sup> the year of the Commonwealth

Jacob Miller 

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William