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Dec 1927

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Commonwealth of Virginia,  
Rockingham County, to-wit:

Be it remembered, that on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1927,

Thomas L. Piper, Jr., J.D. Dufflemeyer, Thomas L. Piper, Sr.,  
*H. J. Sullivan, Ethel Sullivan, David D. Pitts all of new tract Shenandoah*  
came before me, Harry M. Strickler, Bail Commissioner, for 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 Thomas L. Piper, Jr., Principal  
in the sum of Eight Thousand dollars, and the said J.D.

*said Piper, Jr. in the sum of Four Thousand dollars, and the*  
*Dufflemeyer in the sum of One Thousand dollars, and the*  
*Thomas L. Piper, Sr. in the sum of Four Thousand dollars, and the*  
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, to the use of the Common-  
wealth of Virginia, if the said Thomas L. Piper shall make de-  
fault in the performance of the conditions underwritten.

The condition of the above recognizance is such that if the above  
bound Thomas L. Piper do and shall personally appear before  
the Circuit Court of the said County on the first day of the next  
term thereof, then and there to answer the Commonwealth for and con-  
cerning a certain Felony by him committed wherewith he  
stands charged, or to any time or times to which the proceedings may  
be continued or further heard, and before any Court or Judge here-  
after having or holding any proceedings in connection with the said  
charge, and not depart thence without leave of Court, and be bound  
under this recognizance until said charge is finally disposed of  
or until it is declared void by order of a competent Court, then this  
recognizance shall be null and void, otherwise shall remain in full  
force and virtue.

Harry M. Strickler  
Bail Commissioner.

*and the said Sullivan in the sum of Five Hundred dollars and the said Pitts in the sum of Five Hundred dollars, which*



Commonwealth of Virginia  
County of Loudoun

It is remembered, that on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of the month of  
the year 1880  
before me, the undersigned, Notary Public for the said  
County of Loudoun, and personally and respectively acknowledged  
themselves to be indebted to the Commonwealth of Virginia, in money  
and this obligation, that in so well: the said James P. [unclear]

in the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars, and the said  
in the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars  
respectively made and issued of their several goods and chattels,  
and their interests, and they severally waived the benefit of their  
several exemptions as to this obligation, in the use of the same  
of Virginia, it is this James P. [unclear] assigned to  
him in the performance of the conditions aforesaid.  
The condition of the above obligation is that that in the case  
of James P. [unclear] he and shall personally appear before  
the Circuit Court of the said County on the first day of the next  
term thereof, and that he and those he assigns or assigns to do and  
execute a certain affidavit by his several assigns to be  
made and sworn to in and to the effect to which the foregoing may  
be applied of the said bond, and that he and those he assigns or  
assigns to do and execute the same in connection with the said  
bond, and that he and those he assigns or assigns to do and execute  
the same with responsibility well and truly assigned to  
him in the condition aforesaid with the said James P. [unclear], that this  
obligation shall be well and truly, respectively well and truly  
done and signed.

James P. [unclear]  
Bail  
48,000

James P. [unclear]  
Notary Public

COMMONWEALTH

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Charge to the Jury

THOMAS L. PIFER, Jr.

If you find the accused, Thomas L. Pifer, Jr., not guilty, you will say so and no more.

If you find him guilty as charged in the indictment, then you will say so and fix his punishment with death or by confinement in the penitentiary for life, or for any term not less than ~~Five~~ years.

If you do not find him guilty of rape as charged in the indictment, but find him guilty of attempted rape as charged therein, then you will say so and fix his punishment with death, or by confinement in the penitentiary for a term of not less than three years, nor more than eighteen years.

If you do not find him guilty of either of the aforesaid felonies as charged in the indictment, but find him guilty of assault and battery as therein charged, then you will say so and fix his punishment by confinement in jail for a period not exceeding twelve months or by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or both such fine and imprisonment.

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Thomas L. Pifer, Jr.

Charge to the Jury

... in the indictment, that you  
 ... his punishment with death or by confinement in  
 ... for life, or for any term not less than ... years,  
 ... of rape as charged in the indictment,  
 ... of attempted rape as charged in the indictment,  
 ... with death, or by confinement in the penitentiary for a term of not less than ... years,  
 ... than fifteen years.

... in the indictment, and that his guilt of an  
 ... as therein charged, then you will say so and fix  
 ... in jail for a period not exceeding  
 ... the law and according to the law of this State, or  
 ... the law of this State.



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Given

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The Court instructs the jury that rape is having sexual intercourse with a woman against her will by force.

The court instructed the jury that they were to decide the case  
on the basis of the evidence presented to them.



*Myers*  
INSTRUCTION No. 2

The court instructs the jury that in determining whether or not the act of carnal intercourse, as involved in this case, was accomplished by force and against the will of the prosecutrix, it is their duty to take into consideration the conduct and deportment of the prosecutrix, Virginia Myers, closely before and closely following the alleged act, the time and all the circumstances of her complaint of the alleged assault, the presence or absence of bruises or other marks of violence upon her person, if any, whether or not her clothing was torn, the resistance, if any, made by the prosecutrix, the time and place, the relative strength and endurance of the prosecutrix and the defendant, the whole situation as it confronted both the prosecutrix and the defendant, and all the circumstances disclosed by the evidence in the case.

The Court in its opinion on the matter...

...of the parties to the suit, it is to be noted that the Court in its opinion on the matter...

In witness whereof...

*Given*

INSTRUCTION No. 5.

The court instructs the jury that they may convict the defendant, Thomas L. Pifer, Jr., on the evidence of the prosecuting witness, Virginia Myers, alone, although such evidence may be uncorroborated in whole, or may be corroborated only in part, if, from such evidence, and all the facts and circumstances disclosed in the evidence in the case, they believe the defendant is guilty beyond all reasonable doubt, although the defendant has testified in direct contradiction to the testimony of the prosecutrix, Virginia Myers.





INSTRUCTION No. 7

The court instructs the jury that the law presumes the accused to be innocent until he is proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt, and if there is upon the minds of the jury any reasonable doubt of the guilt of the accused, or as to any fact or circumstance necessary to constitute the elements of the offense, the law makes it their duty to acquit him, and that mere suspicion or probability of his guilt, however strong, is not sufficient to convict, nor is it sufficient if the greater weight or preponderance of evidence supports the charge in the indictment, but to warrant his conviction his guilt must be proven so clearly that there is no reasonable theory, consistent with the evidence, upon which he can be innocent.

K . . . . .

The court instructs the jury that the law presumes the accused  
innocent until the prosecution proves its case beyond a reasonable doubt.  
and it is upon the right of the jury to determine whether or not  
guilt of the accused, or as to any fact or circumstance necessary to  
constitute the elements of the offense, the law places its burden  
to acquit him, and that mere suspicion or probability of his guilt,  
however strong, is not sufficient to convict, nor is it sufficient  
if the greater weight or preponderance of evidence suggests the  
charge in the indictment, but to warrant his conviction his guilt  
must be proven so clearly that there is no reasonable doubt, and  
direct with the evidence upon which he can be found.



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The court instructs the jury that on a charge of rape which is a grave offence and the penalty for which may be the severest, it is the duty of the jury to scan the evidence with utmost care and caution

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*Given*

P

The Court instructs the jury that if they believe from the evidence that Virginia Myers failed to make any outcry at the time or immediately following the alleged rape upon her, then that fact may be taken as evidence tending to disprove the truth of the charge.

~~Brodens vs Commonwealth, 188 vs. 733.~~

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*Given*



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The Court instructed the jury that if they believe from the evidence that Virginia White failed to care and custody of the child or negligently following the child was born her, then that fact may be taken as evidence tending to disprove the state of the child.

~~THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI~~

*Spencer*

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The court instructs the jury that if they believe from the evidence that the prosecutrix in this case consented directly or indirectly to the act of intercourse, they will find the accused not guilty. ~~State v. Bellinger 50 Cal. 2d 160, 323 P.2d 804.~~

Givens

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The only interest the law has is that it may believe from the  
evidence that the property in this case was conveyed directly  
of property as the act of interest. Law will find the  
evidence not being.

W. H. H. H.



C

The court instructs the jury that to warrant a conviction of the accused it is not enough that the evidence is consistent with his guilt. To warrant conviction the evidence must be inconsistent with his innocence. The guilt of the accused is not to be inferred merely because the facts in the case are consistent with the guilt of the accused. ~~Woodson's case 107 Va 95.~~

*Given*

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The other materials the jury had to witness a confession  
of the accused it is not enough that the evidence is  
with him still. To witness something the evidence must be  
shown to be his property. The jury of the accused is not  
to be satisfied with the evidence of the accused. The jury  
must be satisfied with the evidence of the accused.

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INSTRUCTION No. \_\_\_\_\_

The Court instructs the jury that the credibility of the witnesses is a question exclusively for the jury; and the law is that, where witnesses testify in conflict or contradiction of each other, the jury is not bound to regard the evidence as equally balanced, but it is the duty of the jurors to judge the evidence for themselves and to give such weight to the testimony of the different witnesses as under all the circumstances they think them entitled to.

Givens

1871

The court holds that the validity of the  
will is not affected by the fact that the  
testator was insane at the time he made  
it. The court is of opinion that the will is  
valid, and that the executor is entitled to  
the property bequeathed to him. The court  
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the property bequeathed to him.

James



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The court instructs the jury that the law presumes the accused to be innocent until he is proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt, and if there is upon the minds of the jury any reasonable doubt of the guilt of the accused, <sup>or so to say fact or circumstance necessary to constitute</sup> the law makes it their duty to acquit him, and that mere suspicion or probability of his guilt, however strong is not sufficient to convict, nor is it sufficient if the greater weight of preponderance of evidence supports the charge in the indictment, but to warrant his conviction his guilt must be proved so clearly that there is no reasonable theory, consistent with the evidence, upon which he can be innocent. Brown's Case, 97, Va. 792.

*by elements of  
the offense*

*Given*

The court further held that the law requires the accused  
to be innocent until he is proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.  
It is not enough to show the probability of his guilt, but  
the guilt of the accused, the law does not require a  
and that mere suspicion or probability of his guilt, however strong,  
is not sufficient to convict, but he is entitled to an acquittal  
unless the prosecution's evidence supports the charge in the  
beyond a reasonable doubt. In the case of the accused,  
the burden of proof is on the prosecution to prove the  
guilt, upon which he can be convicted. Brown's case, 11 W. 372.

B

The court instructs the jury that the charge of rape is one easily made but from its nature is difficult to defend and the jury has the right to give consideration to these facts in reaching a conclusion in this case.

Barley's case 82 V. 107

Refused

The court instructs the jury that the charge of rape is one  
essentially made but from the nature is difficult to defend and the jury  
has the right to give consideration to these facts in reaching a con-  
clusion in this case.

2 Given

The Court instructs the jury that in determining whether or not the act of carnal intercourse, as involved in this case, was accomplished by force and against the will of the prosecutrix ~~or otherwise~~, it is their duty to take into consideration ~~as shown by the evidence in the case~~, the conduct and deportment of the prosecutrix, Virginia Myers, <sup>clearly before and clearly</sup> ~~absely~~ following the alleged act, the time and all the circumstances of her complaint of the alleged assault, the presence or absence of bruises or other marks of violence upon her person <sup>if any</sup>, whether or not her ~~under~~ clothing or ~~other clothing~~ was torn, the resistance <sup>if any</sup> made by the prosecutrix, the time <sup>and</sup> place, the relative strength and endurance of the prosecutrix and the defendant, the whole situation as it confronted both the prosecutrix and defendant, and all the circumstances disclosed by the evidence in the case.

G. J. [unclear]



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The Court instructed the jury that in determining whether or not the act of sexual intercourse, as defined in this case, was accomplished by force and against the will of the prosecutrix, it is their duty to take into consideration as shown by the evidence in this case, the conduct and deportment of the prosecutrix, Virginia Green, at the time and place of the alleged act, and all the circumstances of the conduct of the prosecutrix, the presence or absence of threats or other acts of violence upon her person, whether or not they were directly or indirectly connected with the prosecutrix, the time, place, the relative strength and position of the parties and the defendant, the whole situation as it developed both the prosecutrix and defendant, and all the circumstances disclosed by the evidence in this case.

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Reference

The Court instructs the jury that if they believe from the evidence beyond ~~and~~ reasonable doubt that Thomas L. Pifer, Jr. had sexual intercourse with Virginia Myers against her <sup>will</sup> by force, or, if they believe from the evidence <sup>beyond ~~and~~ reasonable doubt</sup> that Thomas L. Pifer, Jr. entered the private parts of Virginia Myers with his private parts against the will of Virginia Myers by force, then the jury must find the accused, Thomas L. Pifer, Jr. guilty of rape as charged in the indictment.

*W. J. Hill*

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The Court instructed the jury that it may believe that the  
evidence against the defendant is sufficient to justify a  
conviction if the jury believes that the defendant is guilty  
beyond a reasonable doubt. The Court also instructed the jury  
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INSTRUCTION NO. 4.

The Court instructs the jury that in case of rape, it is not essential that the prosecutrix should be corroborated by the testimony of other witnesses as to the particular act constituting the offense, and if the jury believe from the evidence of the prosecutrix, and corroborating circumstances and facts testified to by other witnesses that the defendant did have carnal knowledge of the prosecutrix, Virginia Myers, by force and against her will as charged, the law ~~does~~ not require that the prosecutrix should be corroborated by other witnesses as to what transpired at the time and place when it was alleged the assault was made.

*Revised as written*

*Given ~~at~~ the p. 5:15 - 5:21*



The Court instructs the jury that in cases of rape, it is not essential that the prosecutrix should be corroborated by the testimony of other witnesses as to the particular circumstances of the crime, and if the jury believe from the evidence of the prosecutrix, and corroborating circumstances and facts testified to by other witnesses that the defendant did have sexual knowledge of the prosecutrix, Virginia Hays, by force and against her will as charged, the law does not require that the prosecutrix should be corroborated by other witnesses as to what transpired at the time and place when it was alleged the sexual intercourse was made.

*Approved as written*  
*Wm. H. Hays - 2774*



Given

The Court instructs the jury that they may convict the defendant, Thomas L. Pifer, Jr., on the evidence of the prosecuting witness, Virginia Myers, alone, although such evidence may be uncorroborated in whole, or may be corroborated <sup>only</sup> in part if the jury believe the defendant guilty beyond all reasonable doubt from such evidence; and the Jury are further instructed that ~~they may convict the defendant upon the evidence of the prosecuting witness, Virginia Myers, if they believe from such evidence~~ <sup>and all the</sup> ~~and the corroborated facts and circumstances in the case if such~~ <sup>declared by the evidence</sup> ~~facts and circumstances appear that~~ <sup>they believe</sup> the defendant is guilty beyond all reasonable doubt, although the defendant has testified in direct contradiction to the testimony of the prosecutrix, Virginia Myers.

Given as modifiedby the court

Witness

The Court instructs the jury that they may consider the  
evidence, Thomas L. Miller, Jr., as the evidence of the present-  
in witness, Virginia Kover, also, although such evidence may  
be considered in whole, or may be disregarded in part if  
the jury believe the defendant's story more credible than  
the witness' story, and the jury are further instructed that  
they may consider the defendant's story as evidence of the present-  
in witness, Virginia Kover, if they believe from such evidence  
and the circumstances that the defendant is guilty of  
the crime charged, and that the defendant is guilty of  
such all necessary facts, although the defendant has testified  
in direct contradiction to the testimony of the present-  
in witness.

Virginia Kover.

*[Faint handwritten text]*

R. L. GARDNER, Judge  
K. B. AMOLE, Judge Juvenile Court  
A. M. RUCKER, Clerk of Courts  
W. T. GRAYBEAL, City Attorney  
W. W. HALL, Commissioner of Revenue

J. F. STRATTON  
CITY SERGEANT  
CLERK CITY COUNCIL

W. N. KEY, Mayor  
J. E. HAMMERS, Treasurer  
V. T. STRICKLER, Pres. City Council  
L. Z. JOHNSTON, City Engineer  
J. M. BEARD, Chief of Police

BUENA VISTA, VA. JAN - 9 1928 192

Mr J Robert Switzer Clerk

Dear Sir

These summons were received by me late in the day Saturday I immediately got in touch with Mr Durham by phone, (the only way I could reach him) and also Mr J H Haley. Hope they will be on hand, with best wishes for a successful Administration

I remain

Yours very truly

J Frank Stratton Supt  
Am entering my 39th year in the office of  
Sergeant

W. M. BRYAN  
J. W. BRYAN  
L. W. BRYAN  
C. W. BRYAN  
S. W. BRYAN

J. N. STRATTON  
CITY SHERIFF  
CIVIL CITY COUNCIL

W. L. BRYAN  
J. W. BRYAN  
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S. W. BRYAN

JAN - 0 1938  
MIRNA VISTA VA

*[Faint, illegible handwriting on lined paper]*



Commonwealth of Virginia:

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

You are hereby commanded to summon

*Virginia Myers*

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 *Dec.* 19*27* to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth before the GRAND JURY

*vs. Thomas L. Piper*

who stands charged with and indicted for a felony misdemeanor.

And this *she* 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 *13th* day of *Dec.* 19*27*, and in the *15<sup>th</sup>* year of the Commonwealth.

*J. F. Blackburn*, Clerk



Virginia Myers

Commonwealth of Virginia:

To the Honorable the Judge of the Circuit Court of Washington County, Virginia:

For my legal services in and about the premises:

Virginia Myers

to appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Washington County at the Court House thereon, at 10 o'clock a.m. on the 17th day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_ to testify and the facts in and about the premises, to-wit: the GRANT HEREIN

and the same, and to exhibit and produce the same, and to do all such things as may be required of me by the Court.

And I do hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original thereof, as the same appears from the records of the Court.

Witness my hand and seal of office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_.

Witness my hand and seal of office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk

Commonwealth of Virginia:

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

You are hereby commanded to summon

*Virginia Myers*

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 *Dec.* 19*27*, to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth, before the GRAND JURY

*vs. Thomas L. Pifer*

who stands charged with and indicted for a felony misdemeanor.

And this *she* 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 *13th* day of *Dec.* 19*27*, and in the *52*th year of the Commonwealth.

*J. F. Blackburn*, Clerk

This writ returned unexecuted as the within named Virginia Meyers could not be found in my County

G. Thomas Brannon S. R. O.

Com.

vs.

Thomas L. Pifer

Rockbridge

1927  
Dec 19

R. BRUCE MORRISON  
SHERIFF

SHERIFF'S OFFICE



ROCKBRIDGE COUNTY  
LEXINGTON, VIRGINIA

Dec. 17 1927

Mr. J. P. Blackburn  
Clerk Rockinham Court  
Harrisonburg, Va.

Dear Sir

I am returning the within writ unexecuted as I am unable to find this person in my county. There was no address given so I Inquired among all the Myers that I knew and had my deputies do the same but we can not locate her. It is entirely possible that she may be in the County but is not known to any of us and without information as to a definite place to look for I am forced to return this writ unexecuted.

Respt. Yours.

*R. Bruce Morrison*  
Sheriff Rockbridge County

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE



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Mr. J. F. Blandford  
Care of  
Washington, D.C.

I am returning the within this memorandum as I am unable to find this  
particular in my records. There was no address given as I inquired among  
the files that I have and had no records as the same but we can  
not locate her. It is entirely possible that she may be in the country but  
it was never in my file and without information as to a definite place  
to look for I am forced to return this memorandum.

Very truly,  
Your obedient servant,

Charles J. ...  
Special Agent in Charge



The Commonwealth of Virginia,  
To the Sheriff of Rockingham County—Greeting:

Whereas

**Universal Glass Product Company**

Plaintiff

did on the **5th** day of **December**, 19**27**, we out of the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Rockingham County a writ of Fieri Facias against **D. A. Taylor, doing business as The Lacey Spring Dairy**

Defendant

for the sum of \$ **32.71** with interest thereon

to be computed after the rate of six per centum per annum, from the **1st** day of **November**, 19**27**, and \$ **2.50** costs, and it being suggested that by reason of the lien of said writ of Fieri Facias there is a liability on persons other than the judgement debtor, and that **J. M. Kavanaugh**

is indebted to the said judgement debtor, or hath money, bank notes, securities, evidences of debt, or other personal estate in possession or under **his** control, belonging to the said judgement debtor, **D. A. Taylor, doing business as The Lacey Spring Dairy**

You are therefore commanded to summon the said ~~judgement debtor~~ **D. A. Taylor, doing business as The Lacey Spring Dairy, and J. M. Kavanaugh,**

to appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of our said County, at the Court House, on the first day of next Term, to answer the said suggestion. And have then and there this writ. Witness, **J. F. Blackburn** Clerk of our said Court, at the Court House, this **5th** day of **December** 19**27**, and in the **152d** year of the Commonwealth.

*J. F. Blackburn* Clerk.

J. M. Kavanaugh

Sir Paul

Commonwealth of Virginia:

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To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon

Dr. D. C. Shuler & Tom Austin

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 Dec 1927 to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth before the GRAND JURY vs. Thomas L. Piper

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 13th day of Dec 1927, and in the 152th year of the Commonwealth.  
J. F. Blackburn, Clerk

Cam.

Commonwealth of Virginia:

To the Honorable the Grand Jury,

Thomas L. Piper

Original.

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Executed by delivering a true copy of  
the within summons in person upon  
Dr. B. O. Shuler and Tom Austin,  
this 16th day of Dec, 1927.

By L. T. Buckner O. P. C.  
For E. L. Innes, Sheriff Page County.

Sh. is for \$1.00  
1927  
Dec. 19

C. A. Lipe

Edwood Rusbrook

Allen S. Harvey

R. C. Hamilton

C. H. Brebner

John Shrewell

E. L. Layman

A. E. Suter

~~Henry M. Comstock~~

J. M. Fry

~~J. P. K. Pitt~~

~~J. H. Bruce~~

~~John Felt~~

~~H. E. Brown~~

Joseph Foster

~~John M. Smith~~

~~Samuel H. Lane~~

~~A. H. Brown~~

John Felt

~~John H. Foster~~

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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

*W. J. Carnick, Miss Carrie Heath  
Mrs. John Painter, Ed. M. Meredith,  
Clyde Hisey, Harry Dean & John Griffith*

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 *Jan* 19 *28*, to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Defendant in the prosecution of the Commonwealth, plaintiff, against

*Thos. L. Pifer, Jr.*

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 *6th* day of *Jan* 19 *28*, and in the *17th* year of the Commonwealth.

*J. Robert Switzer*, Clerk.

Thos. L. Pifer, Jr.

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N. J. Conick  
Carmichael

Emma Heath  
Glyde Henry  
John Griffith

Mrs Jno Pauler  
Harry Dean  
B. Dodman

1928

Jan. 12

Miss Virginia <sup>born with</sup> Meyer ✓  
C. W. Duell ✓  
Mrs Duell ✓  
Miss Duell ✓  
Mr. Eugene Duell ✓  
Mrs. Lam. & Son, ✓  
Thomas Austin ✓  
Mr. Stanton ✓  
Oscar Bernhardt ✓  
John Griffith ✓  
Dr Shulov ✓

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Arrest Warrant

Commonwealth of Virginia,  
Rockingham County,

To-Wit:

To G. A. Lawson Deputy Sheriff, a Constable of said County:

Whereas, D. W. Casman of the said County, has this day made complaint and information on oath before me, J. P. Bruce a Justice of the said County, that Mrs. Lawrence Piper Jr

of the said County, on the 10 day of Nov, 1927, in the said County, did Violently and against her will, by force, feloniously did attempt ravish and carnally know her the Virginia Myers she the said Virginia Myers then being fourteen years old and more to wit of the age of fourteen years,

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 Mrs. Lawrence Piper Jr 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 14 day of Nov, in the year 1927.

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

Commonwealth

vs.

Lawrence Piper

Judgment

That the Defendant found guilty and fined and costs as follows:

Fine . . . . .

Clerk's Fee . . . . .

Justice's Fee . . . . .

Arrest . . . . .

Summoning Witness . . . . .

Witnesses Attendance and Mileage . . . . .

Total . . . . .

Justice of the Peace.

Commonwealth

vs. Arrest Warrant

Lawrence Piper

Executed the within warrant by arresting and delivering the body of

Charles Lawrence  
L. H. Bruce

a justice of Rockingham County, and by summoning the within named witnesses in person

this 14 day of Nov 1927

G. A. Lawson  
Constable of Rockingham County  
d.s.

Chas. Lawrence Piper for brought before me  
me left since a Justice of Rockingham Co.  
I remitted the City of Portsmouth Piper  
to County Jail to be for his next term  
by bond. Service makes my final record  
Oct 17 1927

J. H. Bruce J.P.  
R. H. Smith J.P.



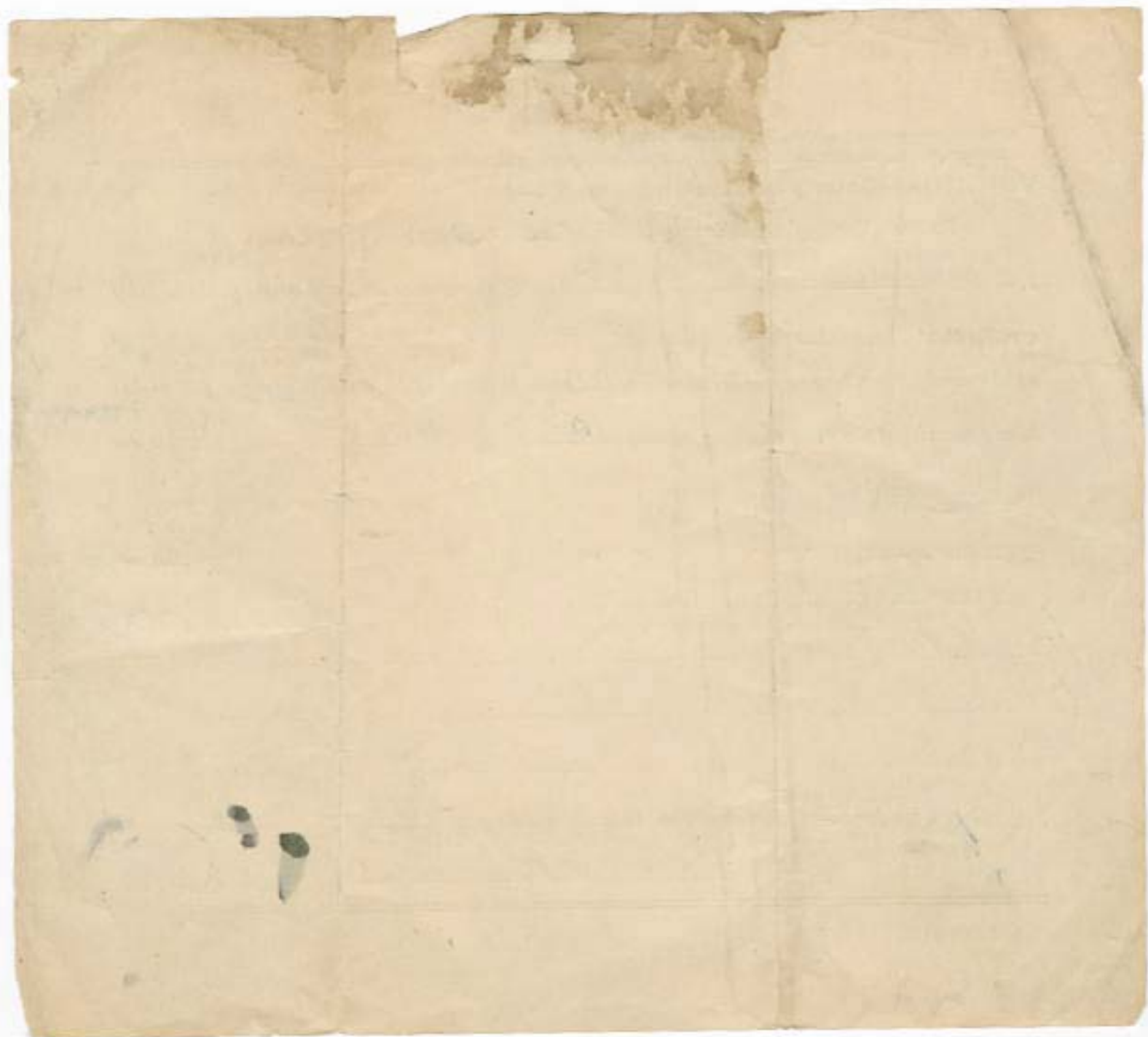
**VIRGINIA--County of Rockingham, To-wit:**

To the Clerk of the Circuit Court of said County:

I, L. H. Bruce & H. H. Bridges Justice of the Peace of said county, do hereby certify that I have this day committed Thos Lawrence Pifer to the jail of said county, that he may be tried before the circuit court of said county, for a felony by him committed, in this, that he, on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of Nov., 1907, in the said county

Given under <sup>our</sup> ~~my~~ hand and seal this 15 day of Nov, 1907  
L. H. Bruce, J. P. [L. S.]

H. H. Bridges, J. P.



In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia: Rockbridge  
To the Sheriff of ~~Rockingham~~ County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon

R. L. Durham, Buena Vista, Va.  
\* Rev. J. H. Haley, Buena Vista, Va.

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 9th day of January 1928 to testify and the  
truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth against

Thomas L. Piper, Jr.

who stands charged with and indicted for a felony intimidation.

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

Witness, J. ROBERT SWITZER,  
J. F. BLACKBURN, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court House, the 9th day of

Jan 1928, and in the 153rd year of the Commonwealth.

J. Robert Switzer, Clerk.



Com.

in the name of the Commonwealth of Virginia

Thos. L. Piper, Jr.

Rackliffe Co.

Executed in the City  
& Buena Vista on the  
8th day of Jan'y 1928  
in presence of 2 Witnesses  
J. H. Peely

J. L. Stratton, Jt.  
City Buena Vista  
1928

Jan. 9



J. M. KAVANAUGH  
OWNER

15 Gal. 1

35

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5.25

J. W. BENTON  
CHICAGO



*Faint handwritten text, possibly a signature or address, including the word "Chicago".*

We the Jury:

Find the accused Thomas L. Pizitz  
Guilty of Assault and Battery and  
fix his punishment at Twelve months  
in jail and a fine of Five hundred  
dollars \$500.00

Dear Mr. [Name]  
I have the pleasure to inform you  
that the [Name] of [Name]  
has been [Name] of [Name]  
and is now [Name] of [Name]  
I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
Your obedient servant,  
[Name]



COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,

COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM, to-wit:

In the Circuit Court of said County:

The jurors of the Commonwealth of Virginia, in and for the body of the County of Rockingham, and now attending said Court at its December term, 1927, upon their oaths do present that Thomas L. Pifer, Jr., on or about the 5th day of November, 1927, in the county aforesaid, with force and arms, in and upon one Virginia Myers, the said Virginia Myers then being over the age of sixteen years, to-wit, of the age of nineteen years, violently and feloniously did make an assault, and her, the said Virginia Myers, then and there to-wit, on the day and year aforesaid, in the county aforesaid, feloniously did ravish and carnally know, against her will and by force, against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

This indictment is found on the testimony of Virginia Myers, Dr. B. C. Shuler, Eugene Dovel, and Tom Austin, witnesses sworn in Court and sent before the grand jury to give evidence.

We the jury find the accused Thos. L. Pappas Jr  
guilty of assault and battery as charged in the  
indictment and for his present term as twelve  
months in jail and a fine of \$500.00

For S. Carver foreman

Rape

Commonwealth

v) Indictment

Thomas L. Pappas, Jr.

Felony

December term, 1927

A True Bill:

*For - 9 m*  
*his agent for*  
*for - 9 m*  
J. P. Bradford  
FORWARD

D. W. Berman  
Commonwealth's Attorney

# 451

*Alc. Termis 1927*

COMMONWEALTH

VS. Felony (Rape)

THOMAS L. PIFER, Jr.

C. A. Life  
Edward Rusbush  
Allen S. Harver  
R. C. Hamilton  
C. H. Orbaugh  
Jno. L. Shemaker  
E. L. Layman  
A. E. Suter  
J. M. Fry  
J. Frank Gull  
Joseph Carver  
J. W. Fack