

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,

COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM, to-wit:

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF SAID COUNTY:

The grand jurors of the Commonwealth of Virginia, in and for the body of the County of Rockingham, and now attending the Circuit Court of said County, at its October term, 1947, upon their oaths do present that JAMES ROY SYNAMON, on or about the 7th day of September, 1947, in said County, unlawfully and feloniously did kill and slay one Ivan Whitmire, against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

This indictment is found upon the testimony of A. F. Carroll and E. E. Kiser, witnesses sworn in Court and sent before the grand jury to give evidence.

Invol. Manslaughter
COMMONWEALTH

v.) Indictment

JAMES ROY SYNAMON

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Felony:

October Term, 1947.

A True Bill:

D. B. Bowers
Foreman

Witnesses:

1. E. E. Kiser ✓
2. A. F. Carroll ✓

Lawrence H. Hoover

Commonwealth's Attorney

Filed as Commonwealth Exhibit 10

Harrisonburg, Va.
Sept. 8, 1947
8:00 P.M.
Sheriff's Front Room.

My name is James Roy Synamon, I am 27 years of age and a resident of Kingsport, Tenn but for the past 6 months I have been employed by The Mason & Dixon Line and living in Harrisonburg. I make the following statement of my own free will, without threat or promise after having been told the facts stated herein will be used in a Criminal hearing.

On Sept. 7, 1947, Sunday, I completed the job of putting a new motor in my 1941 Ford Coach at the Mason Dixon terminal, I finished the job about 1:30 in the afternoon. A fellow by the name of Yates who is employed by the Rockingham Ford Motor Co told me not to run the motor over 50 M.P.H for the first 500 miles. I goes out and picks Roy Baldwin up at his rooming house around between 4:00 & 5:00 P.M. We come down town and stays awhile until 5:00 or 6:00 o'clock when he ask me to take him to New Market. I take him to New Market and we stops at the Gulf Service Center ~~and~~ restaurant, we stayed here around, I don't know, between 30 minutes or an hour. We did not eat or drink anything here, just stopped. I took him on out to Mildred's, I went in the house here and stayed from 15 to 30 minutes. I started back to Harrisonburg and I come down the road there from the Gulf Service Station, the car began to miss so I stopped and discovered a wire had jumped out

of the distributor Cap and I stuck it back in, by the time I had finally found what was causing the trouble and fixed it, it was about 9 o'clock I think or a few minutes after. I had the car trouble about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile south of the Gulf Center. I started on down the road, I passed two or three cars in a row, I was going I would say, 40 or 50 or could have been going 60 when I passed these cars, I just don't know because I did not look at the speed-o-meter. After I had got around these cars, got back on my side of the road, I looked down at my speedometer and it was 45 MPH. I went on down the road a little bit farther and I met a car, he did not dim his lights for me, when we passed, after his head lights got by me where I could see the road, there was a car, stopped or apparently stopped on my side of the road, in my lane, and he did not have any tail light, gave no signal or nothing, when I seen him I threw on my brakes, tried to stop, but it was too late. The next thing that I remember everything was a fire, his car and the front end of mine, my car about $\frac{2}{3}$ of the front end was sitting ~~across~~ across the right white line, in other words, half in the center lane & half in the right lane going South. Also my marks showed I was on my right hand lane, about 14 inches on the right hand side of the white line. I jumped out of the car when I come to, as it must have knocked me out for a minute, I ran over to this fellow who ^{was} afire, and begged someone to go and get a blanket to smother the fire out. Someone said to get water, they came out there with a bucket of water, someone threw the water on him ^{part of}

I the distribution of the water in
the river. I had finally found what was
the trouble and fixed it. It was about 8 o'clock
I think a few minutes after I had the car
about 8 miles south of the Hill Butte. I started
to leave the road. I passed this a few miles
in a new direction. I turned right. 100 or 150
feet south of the road. I was going to the
the car. I had just been down to the
out back of the road. After I had
got around the car, got back on my
side of the road. I looked down at my
wristwatch and it was 12:15. I went on
down the road a little bit farther and I went
a car. I did not see the light in the car. When
we passed, after the light got by us when
I could see the road. There was a car stopped
on opposite side of the road.
my car, and I did not see any tail light.
I was surprised or wondering. When I saw him
I turned on my headlights, tried to stop, but it
was too late. He was just going that I remembered
nothing more after, his car and the front
light, engine, but on about 15' of the front end
was nothing about him. The light was in the
in the water but in the water was a half an
the left hand side of the car. I jumped
I was on my right hand side. I was
out of the car when I was to, as it was
jumped in out for a minute. I ran over to the
fence into a fence. I had hoped to see the fence
to a bridge to see the fence out. I was
back to get water, they came out. They were
bright water, however, the water was in

to go get some more water
I grabbed the bucket, saw it was some more
~~water~~ in it, so I threw it on him and that
put the fire out. They put him in an ambulance
and carried him to Harrisonburg, just as
they left Mr. Kiser came up, investigated the
wreck then Mr. Kiser and myself went to the
hospital. ~~Mr. Kiser~~ at the hospital Mr. Kiser
asked the man that was burned, was he
stopped in the road he said, he didn't
know. also asked him if he was aiming to
pull into the service station, he said that
he didn't know. Then it made me sick to
look at the man, so I walked outside the
door where I could not see him. Mr. Kiser
came out in a few minutes and we came
on to jail.

I had had nothing to drink intoxicating
on this day, Sunday Sept 7, 1947

This is all that I know about this accident.
My only injury as far as I know is a bruised chest.

I have read the foregoing statement and
find same true and correct.

James S. Sprosser

Witness

E. D. Kiser

Shu Allen

I got some more notes

I finished the finished notes it was

done in it as I think it was done and that

got the first out. They got him in an ambulance

and carried him to the hospital, but on

they left the man there up, in a hospital

until the man was well and myself went to the

hospital to see to the finished the man

and the man that was finished, but he

stayed in the road he could, he didn't

finish also asked him if he was coming to

finish into the service station, he said that

he didn't know then it was on his way to

finish at the man, he was finished outside the

man when I could not see him, the man

came out in a few minutes and he came

over to find.

I had had nothing to think interesting

on the day, but I was not

the in the that I knew about the accident.

They only stayed on for as I knew in a minute that

I have read the following statement and

that was the end of it.

James Thompson

October

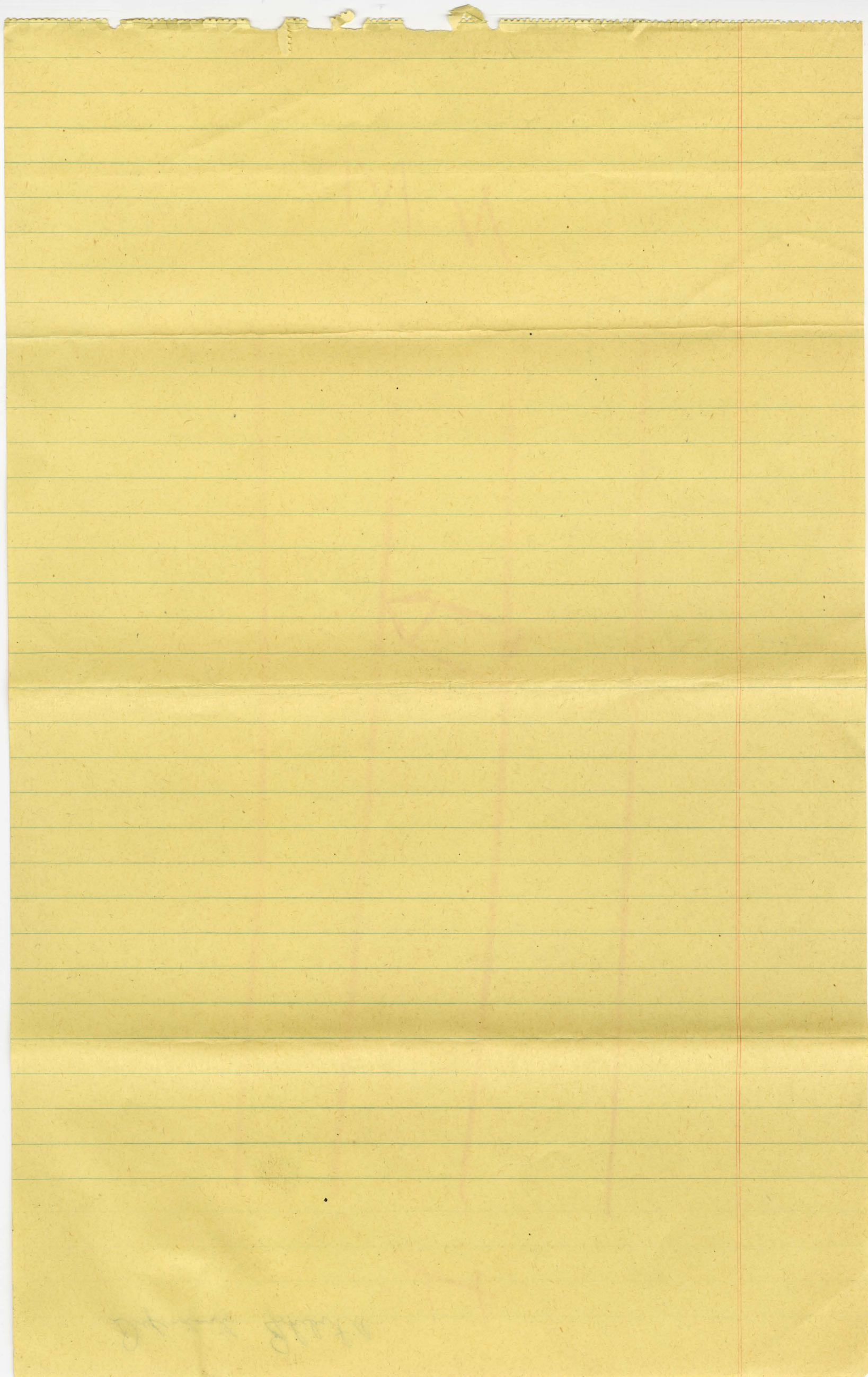
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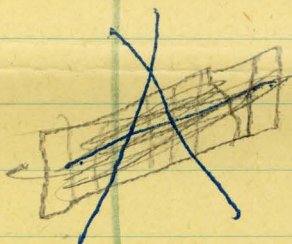
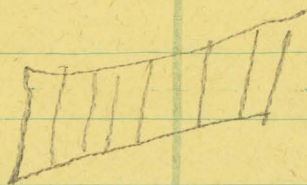
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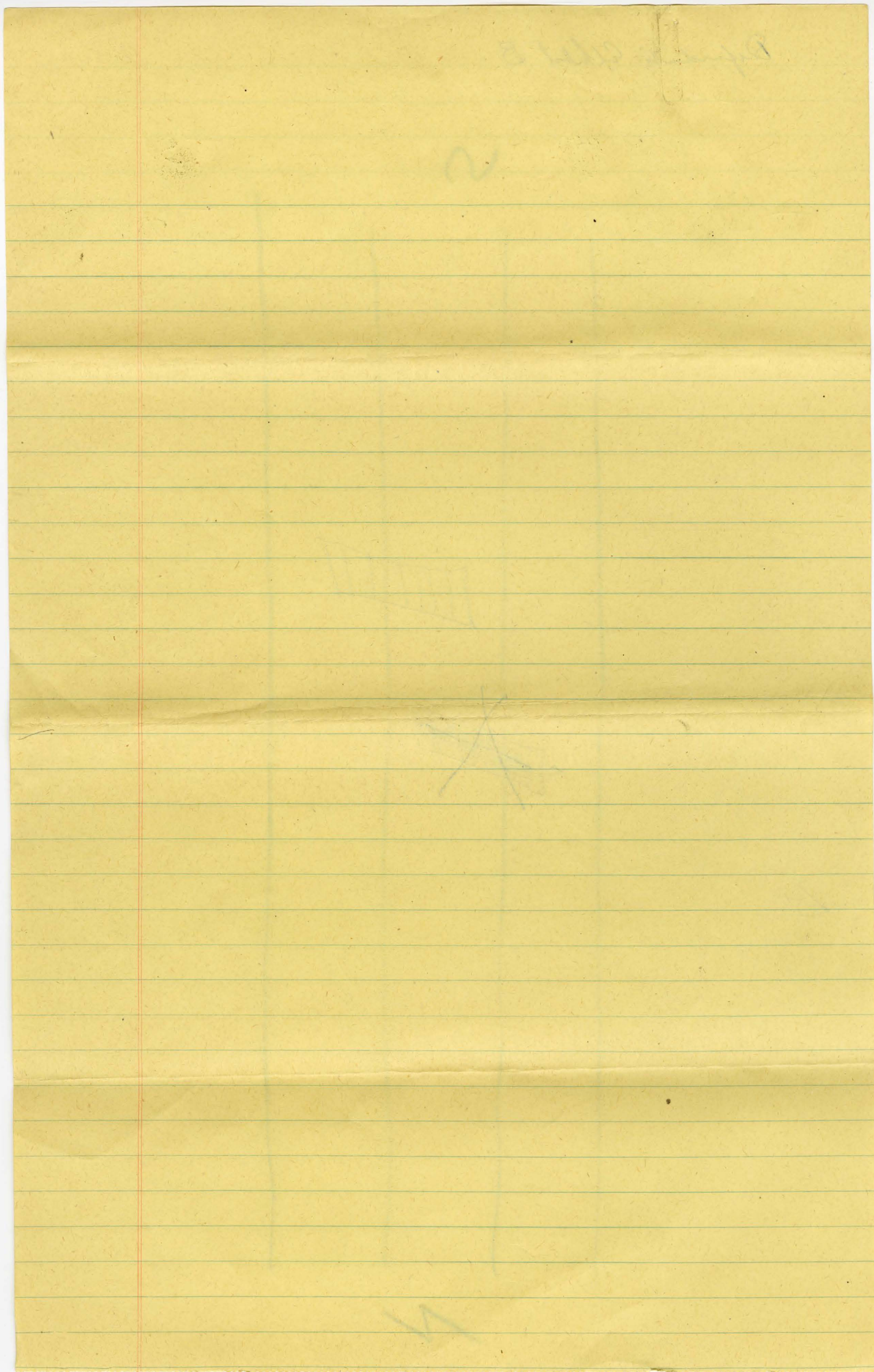
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In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon

Lucille Pince, Leon Puffenburger,
Jaga M. Long, W. L. Coleman, Jr., J. E. Yates,
R. J. Schools, Helma Schools, Frank Kager
Mrs. Neva Miller, Herbert Dean, Dora
Raynes, C. D. Raynes, & Roy Baldwin

to appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Rockingham County, at the Court House thereof,
at 9:30 o'clock, a. m., on the 13th day of April 1948 to testify and the truth to
say in behalf of the Defendant in the prosecution of the Commonwealth against

James Synanon

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

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

Witness, J. ROBERT SWITZER, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court House, the 5th
day of April 1948, and in the 172d year of the Commonwealth.

J. Robert Switzer, Clerk

EXECUTED in the County

of Page, Virginia on the

day of April 1948

by delivering a true copy of
the within process to

Lucas R. R. R.
in person.

Sam O. Conrad,
p. d.

1948
April 13

James Synanon

ad
Com.

4.6.48

by delivering a true copy

of the within summons to

Mr Ned Miller, C. R. Rayner

each in person.

E. D. Reed
James H. Callahan p. d.

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon.....

Jaga M. Long

to appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Rockingham County, at the Court House thereof,
at 9:30 o'clock, a. m., on the *13th* day of *April* 19*48* to testify and the truth to
say in behalf of the Defendant in the prosecution of the Commonwealth against.....

James Synanon

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

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

Witness, J. ROBERT SWITZER, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court House, the *5th*
day of *April* 19*48*, and in the *172^d* year of the Commonwealth.

J Robert Switzer, Clerk

Jaga M. Long

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To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Greeting:

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Jaga M. Long

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who stands charged with and indicted for a felony misdemeanor.

And this you shall not omit under penalty of \$100. And have then and there this Writ.

Witness J. ROBERT SWITZER, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court House, the day of April, 1948, and in the year of the Commonwealth.

Clerk

FORM NO. 2

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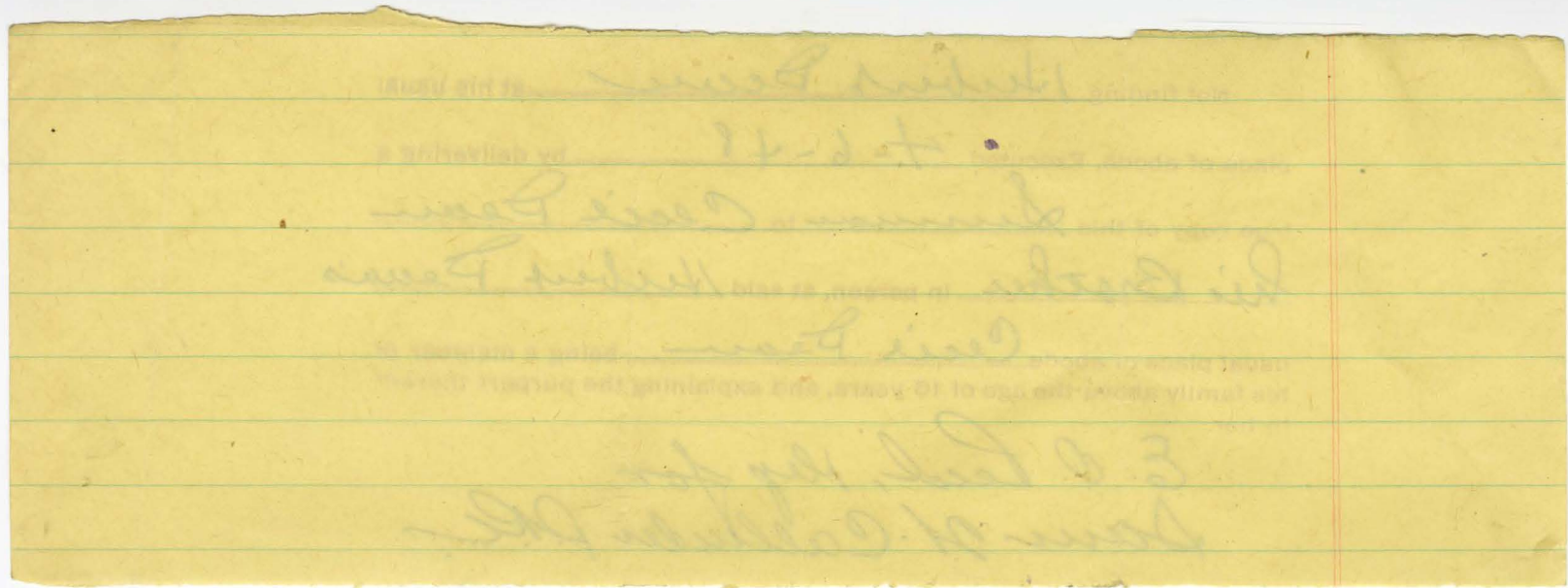
Executed this 9th day
of April by drawing at
true copy of the same
in writing to James
Calman. Wife of
William Calman.

J. E. Teller, D. S.
Esq. Co.

Artie Puffenbarger
his mother.

Not finding Herbert Dean at his usual
place of abode, Executed 4-6-48 by delivering a
true copy of this Summons to Cecil Dean
his Brother in person, at said Herbert Dean's
usual place of abode Cecil Dean, being a member of
his family above the age of 16 years, and explaining the purport thereof
to her.

E. D. Reed, Dep for
Sam W. Callender P.R.



Not finding Dora Raynes at his usual

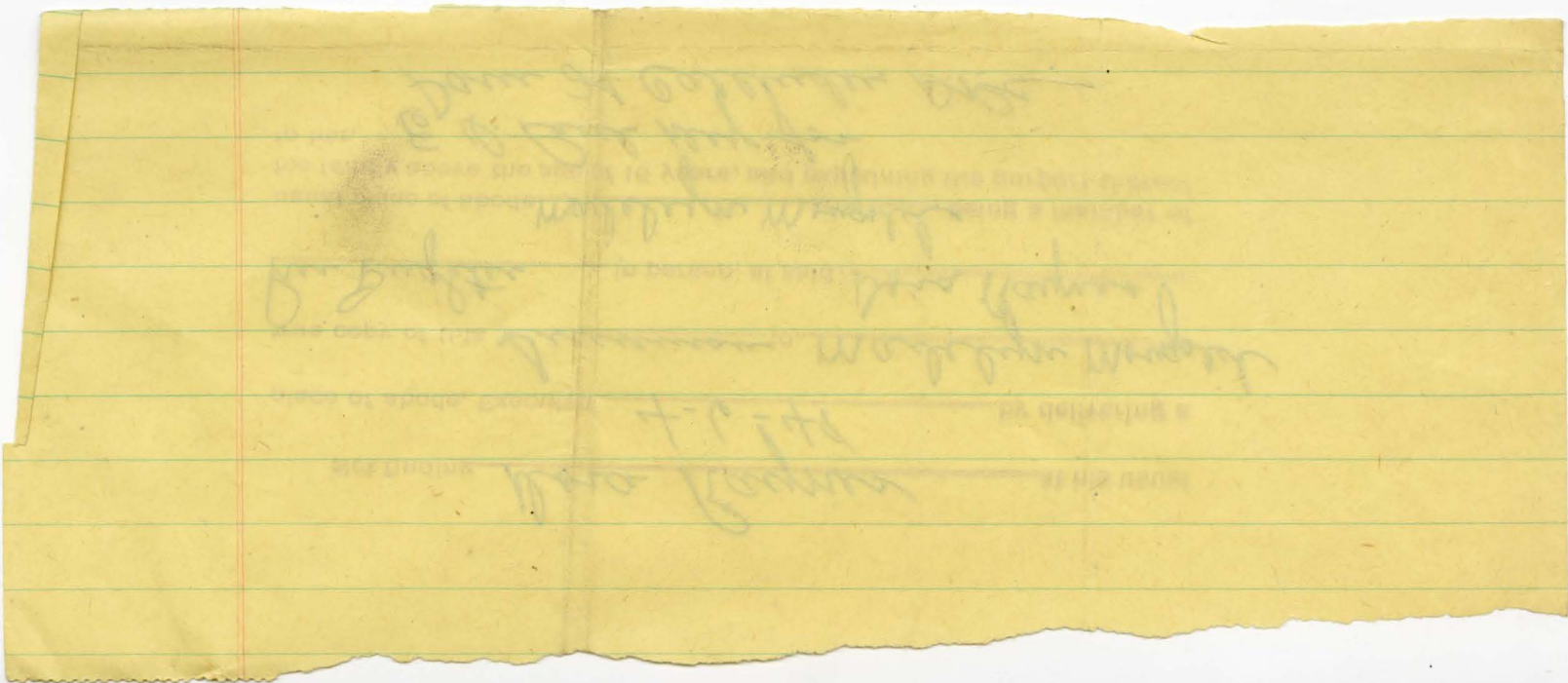
place of abode, Executed 4-6-48 by delivering a

true copy of this Summons to Madelyn Mougald

Her Daughter in person, at said Dora Raynes

usual place of abode Madelyn Mougald, being a member of
his family above the age of 16 years, and explaining the purport thereof
to her.

E. P. Reed Clerk for
Dave H. Callender, D.R.



Not finding Leon Puffenberger at his usual

place of abode, Executed 4-10-48 by delivering a

true copy of this summon to Artie Puffenberger

his mother Leon Puffenberger in person, at said

usual place of abode Artie Puffenberger, being a member of
his family above the age of 16 years, and explaining the purport thereof
to her,

A. L. Strademan D.P. for
Sam H. Callender, R.C.

EXECUTED 4-9-48 IN THE COUNTY OF
ROCKINGHAM BY DELIVERING A TRUE
COPY OF THE WITHIN summon
TO Frank Kager
IN PERSON.

A. L. Strademan D.P.
for Sam H. Callender, R.C.

EXECUTED 4-11-48 IN THE COUNTY OF
ROCKINGHAM BY DELIVERING A TRUE
COPY OF THE WITHIN summon
TO Helin Schools
IN PERSON.

Sam H. Callender
S. H. C.

dated 4-10-48 by delivering a true copy
of the within summon to Roy Baldwin
R. J. Schools

each in person Sam H. Callender S. H. C.

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Bailiwick 4-13-48
Sam H. Callender S. H. C.

Notwithstanding at his usual

place of abode, executed

two copies of the same

his death

usual place of abode, and

his family and the

in person, at said

executed 7-11-18

ROCKINGHAM BY DELIVERING A TRUE

COPY OF THE WITHIN

TO THE PERSON

IN PERSON

Sam H. Ballinger

L. R. C.

EXECUTED 7-11-18

ROCKINGHAM BY DELIVERING A TRUE

COPY OF THE WITHIN

TO THE PERSON

IN PERSON

Sam H. Ballinger

L. R. C.

4-10-18

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Report of Witnesses for the Commonwealth

Month of October 1947

Whose mileage and attendance were not collected by the Trial Justice before the end of said month.

K. C. Moore, Trial Justice.
By J. C. Swartz

WITNESSES	Fel. Pro. or Misd.	Days	Attendance	Miles	Mileage	Total	Date
Com. vs. <u>James Roy Synamon</u>	<u>Fel</u>						<u>10/10/47</u>
<u>Chas. B. Pross</u> <u>From Suray Va</u>							
1. <u>A. F. Carroll, Staunton Va</u>		<u>1</u>	<u>.50</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>2.70</u>	<u>3.20</u>	
<u>Chas. B. Pross</u> <u>From Suray Va</u>							
2. <u>E. E. Huffman, Covington Va</u>		<u>1</u>	<u>.50</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>2.70</u>	<u>3.20</u>	
3.						<u>6.40</u>	
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Com. vs.							
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All witnesses summoned for the Commonwealth shall be entitled to receive for each day's attendance fifty cents, all necessary ferriage and tolls, and five cents per mile over five miles going and returning to place of trial or before grand jury. (Sec. 3512)

1947

Report of Witnesses for the Commonwealth

Month of October 1947

Whose mileage and attendance were not collected by the Trial Justice before the end of said month.

X. B. Thomas
Trial Justice

Witness	Per. or Mile.	Days	Attendance	Mile	Mileage	Total	Date
1. <u>James E. Thompson</u>							
2. <u>John F. Connelley</u>		1	.20	24	2.70	2.90	
3. <u>John F. Connelley</u>		1	.20	24	2.70	2.90	
4.						6.40	
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Prisoners Report of Rockingham County Jail

Name James R. Symamora Date Arrested 9-7-47
Date Bailed Out 9-10-47 Again Placed in Jail _____
Male ☒ Female _____ Age 27 Race W Single _____ Married ☒ Divorced _____
Home Address _____
Place of Birth _____ If Foreign Born _____ Time in U. S. _____ Years _____ Months _____
Physical Condition _____ Is Person a Drunkard? _____ or Drug Victim? _____
Can Read? yes Write? yes Occupation Truck driver Offense Committed Involuntary manslaughter
City Ordinance _____ State _____ Held for Grand Jury _____
Held for Trial _____ Sentence _____ Years _____ Months 18 Months
Fine _____ Costs _____ Time in Jail _____ Held for Penitentiary yes
Held as Insane _____ Held for Other Authorities _____
Behavior _____ Date of Discharge _____

DESCRIPTION OF PRISONER

Height _____ Weight _____ Color of Eyes _____ Color of Hair _____
Teeth Marks _____ Hand Marks _____
Arm Marks _____ Face Marks _____
Shoulder Marks _____ Back Marks _____
Thigh Marks _____ Knee Marks _____
Calf of Leg Marks _____ Foot Marks _____
Fingers Off _____ Mole Marks _____
Neck Marks _____ Brest Marks _____
Left Arm Marks _____ Right Arm Marks _____
Left Leg Marks _____ Right Leg Marks _____
Fine After Prisoner at Jail; Amount to State \$ _____ Amount to City \$ _____

Date Reported _____

Deputy and Jailor _____

Sheriff _____

E. Q. Peck

Prisoners Report of Rockingham County Jail

Name James A. Thompson Date Arrested 8-7-27
Date Bailed Out 8-10-27 Again Placed in Jail
Male ☒ Female ☐ Age 27 Race W Single ☒ Married ☐ Divorced ☐
Home Address _____
Place of Birth _____ If Foreign Born _____ Time in U. S. _____ Years _____ Months _____
Physical Condition _____ Is Person a Drunkard _____ or Drug Victim _____
Can Read ☒ Write ☒ Occupation _____ Committed _____
City Ordinance _____ State _____ Held for Grand Jury _____
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Fingers of _____ Mole Marks _____
Neck Marks _____ Breast Marks _____
Left Arm Marks _____ Right Arm Marks _____
Left Leg Marks _____ Right Leg Marks _____
Fine After Prisoner at Jail Amount to State \$ _____ Amount to City \$ _____
Date Reported _____ Deputy and Jailor _____ Sheriff _____

Apr. 13th

Commonwealth

vs.

On an indictment for a felony (inv. mans.)

James Roy Synamon

This day came the attorney for the commonwealth, and the accused, James Roy Synamon, came in person pursuant to his recognizance and by his attorneys, S. P. Conrad and Charles A. Hammer, Jr. And it appearing that the said James Roy Synamon entered a plea of not guilty at a former term of the court, and having now in person, with the consent of the court and the attorney for the commonwealth, waived trial by a jury and requested ~~xxxxxxx~~ that his case be heard by the court, thereupon, the court, with the consent of the attorney for the commonwealth, proceeded to hear and determine the case without the intervention of a jury, and having heard a portion of the evidence, adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.

Apr. 14th

Commonwealth

vs.

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Summons required under Sec. 120, Chap. 342 Acts of 1932



DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE

Nº 135595

City
County

ROCKINGHAM

Date

SEPT. 7

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M. JAMES ROY SYNAMON you are hereby summonsed to appear before:

(Name of Defendant)

Trial Justice

H. C. MOORE

of

HARRISONBURG

on

SEPT. 8/47

at

2 o'clock P.M.

(Place of Trial)

(Date)

to answer for Violating the Motor Vehicle Laws of Virginia, to wit: Reckless Driving ☐ Exceeding Speed Limit ☐ No Operator Chauffeur License ☐ Improper ☒ INVOLUNTARY MANSLAUGHTER ☐

Defendant

Oper. or Chauff.

Address

613 COLLETT ST. HARRISONBURG

Lic. No.

820563

A.

Vehicle License No.

8-6757

State Police

E. E. Reese

Sec. 120 Chap. 342, Acts 1932. Failure to comply with this summons constitutes a separate offense.

Shield No.

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(Address)

Harrisonburg

Commonwealth of Va

vs

James Roy Synamon

Oct. 10, 1947

Plat Oct 14, 1947

Upon a hearing of
the within cause
the defendant is
held to answer the
action, the
said jury

Sum Writ	1.50
Court by City	1.50
Shal fee	2.00
Shal fee	1.25
Shal fee	.50
Shal fee	1
Shal fee	6.40
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Shal fee
Paid at 14-1947
Thomas, J. S

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Greeting:

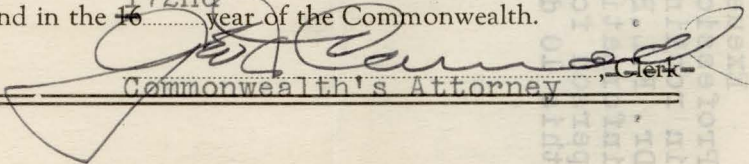
You are hereby commanded to summon Dr. F. L. Byers

to appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Rockingham County, at the Court House thereof,
at 9:30 o'clock, a. m., on the 13th day of April 1948,
to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth against James Roy Synamon

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

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

Witness, ~~J. ROBERT SWITZER, Clerk of our said Court~~, at the Court House, the 10th
day of April, 1948, and in the 16th year of the Commonwealth.


Commonwealth's Attorney, Clerk

Exeued the within summons at Dr F.L.Byers office
Professional Bldg. South Main St. Harrisonburg Va.
in rockingham Co., the usual place of bsineses of
Dr. F.L.Byers, by delivering a true copy thereof and gi-
information of its import to Elizabeth T.Green, the
person found incharge of the of such place of business
this 10 day of April 1948.

[Signature]
Dupty Sheriff
For Sam H.Callender Sheriff Of
Rockingham Co.

COMMONWEALTH

V.) Witness Subpoena

JAMES ROY SYNAMON

To April 13, 1948 at
9:30 a.m.

Witness:

Dr. F. L. Byers

[Signature] Fee. 40

1430 AM
Ths. Elizabeth Green, Secy.

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Greeting:

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George D. Conrad, Clerk
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COMMONWEALTH

V.) Witness Subpoena

JAMES ROY SYNAMON

To April 13, 1948 at
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Witnesses:

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4. Jack Ross

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to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth against James Roy Synanon

who stands charged with and indicted for a felony misdemeanor.

And this you shall not omit under 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 April, 1948, and in the 16th year of the Commonwealth.

George E. Conrad, Clerk
Commonwealth's Attorney

Estridge E. Huffman
Luray, Va.

conversion
231-Walnut

Executed by delivering an office copy of the
within Summons to the within named

Estridge E. Huffman
(upon) Mr. Estridge Huffman
in person in Alleghany County, Virginia, on

9 day of April 1948

W. P. HENDERSON, SHERIFF

Sheriff, Alleghany County, Virginia

By Henry S. Reed
Deputy Sheriff, Alleghany County, Virginia

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon ^{Layton} ~~Ann~~ Holsinger, ~~Clyde~~ Holsinger,
K. R. Alexander and Mrs. Ivan Whitmire

to appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Rockingham County, at the Court House thereof,
at 9:30 o'clock, a. m., on the 13th day of April 1948,
to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth against James Roy Synamon

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

And this you shall not omit under 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 April 1948, and in the 16th year of the Commonwealth.

James Roy Synamon, Clerk -
Commonwealth's Attorney

EXECUTED 4-9-48 IN THE COUNTY OF
ROCKINGHAM BY DELIVERING A TRUE
COPY OF THE WITHIN Summons
TO G. R. Alexander
IN PERSON.

R. L. Alexander D.P.
for Sam. H. Callender D.P.

COMMONWEALTH

V.) Witness Subpoena

JAMES ROY SYNAMON

To April 13, 1948 at
9:30 a.m.,

Witnesses:

1. Ann Holsinger
2. Clyde Holsinger
3. K. R. Alexander
4. Mrs. Ivan Whitmire

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Executed on the 9th of April 1948
within the County of Shenandoah, by de-
livering a true copy of the within Summons
in writing to Layton Holsinger person.
Ann Holsinger

O. E. Triller
Sheriff of Shenandoah County, Va.

By

O. E. Triller
De t Sheriff Shenandoah Co.

EXECUTED 4-9-48 IN THE COUNTY OF
ROCKINGHAM BY DELIVERING A TRUE
COPY OF THE WITHIN Summons
TO Mrs. Ivan Whitmire
IN PERSON.

E. L. Leach D.P. for
Sam. H. Callender D.P.

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

To the Sheriff of ^{Augusta} ~~Rockingham~~ County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon A. F. Carroll

to appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Rockingham County, at the Court House thereof,
at 9:30 o'clock, a. m., on the 13th day of April 1948,
to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth against James Roy Synamon

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

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

Witness, J. ROBERT SWIFZER, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court House, the 8th
day of April, 1948, and in the 172nd year of the Commonwealth.

J. Robert Swifzer, Clerk
Commonwealth's Attorney

COMMONWEALTH

V.) Witness Subpoena

JAMES ROY SYNAMON

To April 13, 1948 at
9:30 a.m.

Witness:

A. F. Carroll

EXECUTED

as to

April 12, 1948
A. F. Carroll

by delivering a copy of the within *summons*

to *A. F. Carroll* in person

R. L. Shaner S. A. C.

By *David W. McClesney* D. S.

Witness Subpoena

Commonwealth of Virginia:

County of Rockingham, to-wit:

To the Sheriff of said County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded, in the name of the Commonwealth of Virginia to summon

A. F. Carroll, Luray, Va.

Estridge E. Huffman, Luray, Va.

E. E. Kiser, S. P.

to appear before the Trial Justice Court of said County, sitting at Harrisonburg, Virginia

in said County, on 10th day of October, 1947, at the hour of 2:00 P.M.

of that day to give evidence in behalf of Com'th

in the pending case of Com'th

v. James Roy Synamon

Given under my hand this 9th day of October, 1947.

J. b. Swartz
Clerk.

EXECUTED 10-9-47 IN THE COUNTY OF
ROCKINGHAM BY DELIVERING A TRUE
COPY OF THE WITHIN summons
TO CE Hare Jr.
IN PERSON.

Sam H. Lealman
J. H. Co.

James Roy Synamon
To Oct. 10, 1947 at 2PM.

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Witness Subpoena

Docket No. A-9812

Trial Justice Court

Executed 10-9-47

by delivering a true copy
of the within summons to

G. F. Carroll
and ESTHER E. HUFFMAN

each in person.

J. B. B. Oliver

Commonwealth of Virginia:

To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon.....

J. F. Connell & E. E. Kiser

to appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Rockingham County, at the Court House thereof,
at 9:30 o'clock, a. m., on the 20th day of Oct. 1947

to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth before the GRAND JURY

James Roy Agamon

who stands charged with a felony misdemeanor.

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

Witness, J. ROBERT SWITZER, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court House, the 15th day of Oct. 1947, and in the 1922 year of the Commonwealth,

J. Robert Switzer, Clerk

Recd Put name on Summons.

Done at Columbus, Ark.

E. D. Peck Dep for

IN PERSON.

to O. E. H. over

COPY OF THE WITHIN Summons

ROCKINGHAM BY DELIVERING A TRUE

EXECUTED 10-16-97 IN THE COUNTY OF

ROCKINGHAM BY DELIVERING A TRUE

COPY OF THE WITHIN Summons

IN PERSON.

Oct. 10

1947

James Roy Thompson

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EXECUTED 10-16/97 IN THE COUNTY OF
ROCKINGHAM BY DELIVERING A TRUE
COPY OF THE WITHIN Summons

TO A. F. Cane

IN PERSON.

E. D. Peck SP.

COMMONWEALTH VS.

Jas-Ray Symanon

DESCRIPTION OF PRISONER

Last known address 59 W. Market
Color W Height 5-9 Eyes B Hair B Weight 185
Marks Q. 15
Age 27 Occupation Truck Driver
Date of Trial 4/14/48 - Convicted -
Result _____

DESCRIPTION OF PRISONER

Result

Date of Trial

Occupation

Mark

Color

Height

Eyes

Hair

Weight

Last known address

COMMONWEALTH VS

Trial Justice Court

Criminal Docket No.

A 9812

Com'th

V.

James Roy Synamon

TS to 9-8-47 at 2PM

C.A.H. P.D.

Trid - 10-10-47

2 P.M.

Grand Jury

10-13-47

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V. Felony (invol. mans.)

JAMES ROY SYNAMON

SPC CAX

10/22/47

plea of N.G. - on Bail
+ trial set for Nov. 14

plus

4/13/14/48

7/26/49

18 mos -
State Penit.

Cont. May 10

Judgment +
susp. 60 Da.

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6/28/48

Sergt - Wallace