STATE OF VIRGINIA,
COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM, to-wit:

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF SAID COUNTY:

The grand jurors of the State of Virginia, in and for the body of the County of Rockingham and now attending the Circuit Court of said County, at its April Term, 1948, upon their oaths do present that FLOYD PAUL GROGG, on the 3rd day of April, 1948, in said County, feloniously, and unlawfully did kill and slay one John Hugh Branham, against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

This indictment is found upon the testimony of State Trooper M. S. Witt, F. L. Byers, Coroner, and Mrs. Dorothy Branham, witnesses sworn in court and sent before the grand jury to give evidence.

FLOYD PAUL GROGG

) INDICTMENT

COMMONWEALTH

April Term, 1948 A True Bill:

Foreman

Witnesses:

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M. S. Witt Dr. F. L. Byers Mrs. Dorothy Branham

George D. Conrad Commonwealth's Attorney

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

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	surety, who justified to his sufficiency, came before me,
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	(J. P. or Bail Commissioner), of the said county of Rockingham,
	and acknowledged themselves to be indebted to the Commonwealth of Virginia each in the sum of
C	Lee Macesard Dollars, (\$1000),
	to be levied of their respective goods and chattels, lands and tenements, for the use of the Commonwealth of
	Virginia rendered, and they each severally waived their homestead exemption to their recognizance; yet upon
	this condition:
	That if the said loyd Tarel most shall personally appear before the
	Circuit Court  Of Rockingham County, at the Courthouse of said County, on the day had a day had
	of the Term thereof, being the day of
	19, and at such other time or times to which the proceedings may be continued or further heard, and before
	any court or judge hereafter having or holding any proceedings in connection with the said charge, and then
	and there answer the Commonwealth of Virginia concerning a certain.
	whereof the said Floyd Faul Broggstands
	charged, and be bound under said recognizance until the charge is finally disposed of or until it is declared void
	by order of a competent court, then the above recognizance shall be null and void; otherwise to remain in full
	force and effect.
	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto affix my signature thisday of
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JUDGEMENT

The	Commonwealth of Virginia, Rockingham County,	To-wit
	To the Sheriff of Said	County:

Whereas, M. S. Witt, State Police Officer of said County, has this day
made complaint and information on oath before me, J. C. Swartz, Clerk T. J. Court
of the said County, that Floyd Paul Grogg
on the 3rd day of April , 1948, in the said County, unlawfully
and folionously did brill and
slay one Julin Branham against the peace and dignity of the
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These are therefore, in the name of the Commonwealth of Virginia, to command you forthwith to apprehend and bring
before the Trial Justice of the said County, the body of the said
Floyd Paul Grogg
to answer the said complaint and to be further dealt with according
to law.
Given under my hand this 6th day of April , 1948.
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Clerk. T. J. or J. P.
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Memo. of Commonwealth Witnesses:
Name Address
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Commonwealth of Virginia in the sum

### **JUDGEMENT**

May 3, 1948

Upon the hearing of the within charge, there was found probable cause and the defendant was held for the action of the Grand Jury. Given under My hand this 3rd day of May 1948

Fine \$
Issuing Justice's Fee - \$ /100
Clerk's Fee \$ 1.25
Trial Justice Fee \$ 7,00
Arrest and Mileage - \$
Summoning Witness - \$ 4.00
Witness Attendance and Mileage \$ 4.85
Commonwealth's Attorney \$ 2.56
Jail Fees \$ .50
\$
Total 16.10
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Trial Justice

Criminal Docket No. A-817

Commonwealth

Arrest Warrant

Floyd Paul Grogg

Executed the within warrant by arresting and delivering the body of

Floyd Paul Grogg

day of

Officer's Mileage

Miles travelled by officer -

Miles carried prisoner - -

Total mileage - -

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T. J. or J. P. or Bail Commissioner

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# Report of Witnesses for the Commonwealth

Month of May 1948

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

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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)

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# Prisoners Report of Rockingham County Jail

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You are hereby commanded to summon Rallett Calel
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 day of 1956,
to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth against
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 27 1/2
day of May, 1948, and in the 16 year of the Commonwealth.
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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 Dr. F. L. Byers, Mrs. Gertie Stroop W. R. Ewing and Oscar Wescott
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 7th day of
to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth against Floyd Paul Grogg
who stands charged with and indicted for a felony misdemeaner.
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 18t
day of June, 19 48, and in the 172nd wear of the Commonwealth.
Commonwealth's Attorney

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To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Trooper M. S. Witt, Sgt. S. A. Walton
Herman Luther Bridges, Jr. and Mrs. John Branham
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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 7th day of June 1948,
to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth against Floyd Paul Grogg
who stands charged with and indicted for a felony misdemeaner.
And this you shall not omit under penalty of £100. And have then and there this Writ.
Witness, J. ROBERT SWITZER, Clork of our said Gourt, at the Court House, the 1s.t
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Commonwealth's Attorney, Cterk
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COMMONWEALTH to ) Witness Subpoena FLOYD PAUL GROGG To June 7, 1948 at 9:30 a.m. Witnesses: 1. Trooper Witt 2. Sgt. Walton 3. Herman L. Bridges, Jr. 4. Mrs. John Branham 8 hung 7 20 1,40

Commonwealth of Virginia:  To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Greeting
You are bereby commanded to summon M. S. Witt, Dr. F. G. Byerse.  Mrs. Dorothy Brasilian
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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 17th day of May
to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth before the GRAND JURY
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 12th
day of May 1948, and in the 13 Myear of the Commonwealth.
Robert Austren, Clerk
THE SERVICE PRESS, HARRISONBURG, VA.

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F. E. Byers' office, South Main St., Harrisonous.

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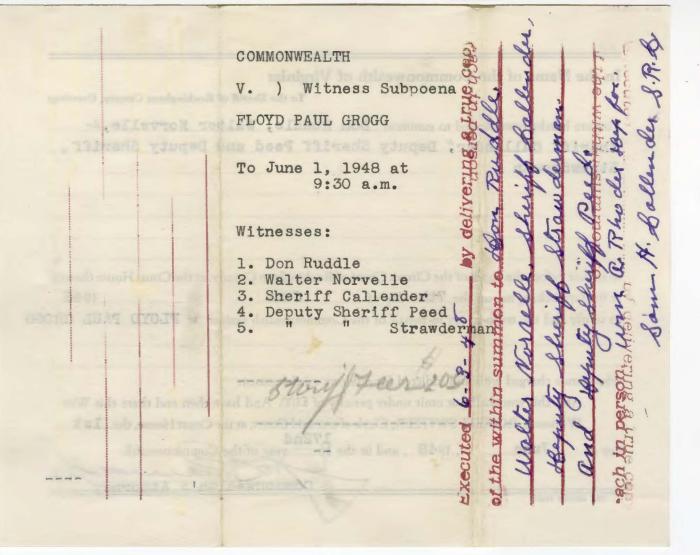
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to appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Rockingham County, at the Court House thereof, at 9:30 o'clock, a. m., on the 7th day of
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# COMMONWEALTH VS. Floyd Paul Groff

#### DESCRIPTION OF PRISONER

Last known address Lisselle
Color Weight 5-1/ Eyes By Hair Bell Weight 180
Marks O. K.
Age 30 Occupation Frush person
Date of Trial 6/7/48
Result 16/7/49

Summons required under Sec. 120, Chap. 342 Acts of 1932 DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE you are hereby summonsed to appear before: (Name of Defendant) (Place of Trial) to answer for Violating the Motor Vehicle Laws of Virginia, to wit: Reckless Driving D Exceeding Speed Limit D No Operator Chauffeur License Improper Defendant Address Oper. or Chauf. Sec. 120 Chap. 342, Acts 1932. Failure to comply with this Shield No. 25-8

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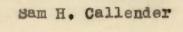
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