

W. E. Lucas, W. H. Fletcher, G. A. Lawson
Commonwealth of Virginia

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 October term, 1930, upon their oaths present that J. R. Davis, within one year next prior to the finding of this indictment, in said county, did unlawfully have in his possession three pints of ardent spirits, against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

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

We the jury ~~at the trial~~ find the accused
J. R. Davis, not guilty

Ernest Hedrick
Foreman

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM: do-wit:

In the Circuit Court of said County:

Commonwealth

v) Indictment
J. R. Davis

Misdemeanor
October term, 1930

A True Bill:

W. S. Greenback
Foreman

D. W. Earman
Commonwealth's Attorney

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Commonwealth of Virginia--City, County of Richmond to-wit:

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

WHEREAS G. H. Lawson of the said Richmond City or County

has this day made complaint and information on oath before me, R. H. Bruce, Jr. Name of Magistrate Title

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

(a) That Ardent Spirits are being unlawfully manufactured, sold, kept, stored, possessed, held, used and concealed in a certain Dewberry House & out Building Here describe the place, house, room or boat, as the case may be

by one J. P. Harris 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 27 day of Sept 1920

R. H. Bruce, Jr. (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, heather, 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 Director and Commonwealth's Attorney. (A copy of this warrant and proper return will be 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 Director 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 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 21½, 22, 23, 23½, 57 and 57½, Acts of Assembly, 1918, Page 578.

WARRANT TO SEARCH FOR ARDENT SPIRITS, ETC.

Commonwealth of Virginia

vs. J. K. Lewis

Executed the within warrant this 28 day of Sept 1920, by searching the within stated Dwelling house + out buildings

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

as front door of house, door of room or premises

Description of Ardent Spirits and other things seized

3 pints Ardent Spirits

Given under my hand this 28 day of Sept 1920 G. A. Lawson

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

W. E. Lucas W. H. Fletcher

Other than above stated the following are witnesses:

This matter set for hearing on the day of 1920

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 1920

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 1920

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 were carried.

Commonwealth of Virginia,
Rockingham County, To-Wit:

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 28 day of Sept, 1930,
L. A. Davis, principal and J. R. Davis & Russell Davis
surety, who justified to his sufficiency, came before me, L. H. Bruce
Justice of the Peace (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
Five Hundred Dollars, (\$ 500 00),

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 J. R. Davis & Russell Davis shall personally appear before the Circuit Court of Rockingham County, at the Courthouse of said County, on the Oct day of the 1st Term thereof, being the 1st day of Oct, 1930, 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 Ms.
J. R. Davis & Russell Davis whereof the said J. R. Davis & Russell Davis stands 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 this 28 day of Sept, 1930.

L. H. Bruce
(J. P. or BAIL COMMISSIONER)

(F. B. OF THE COMMISSIONER)

[Handwritten signature]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal

at the City of New York, this _____ day of _____ 18__

Witness my hand and seal of the said County of _____ and of the said State of New York, this _____ day of _____ 18__

*W. H. Davis
Russell Davis*

*1250 Ave
Dec 4 1880*

Commissioner of the
County of _____

The Court instructs the jury that if they believe from the evidence beyond a reasonable doubt that at the time of the search of the premises of the accused ardent spirits were found thereon then they must find the accused guilty.

Unless they believe that the ardent spirits found upon said premises were there without the knowledge of the accused and belonged to some one else,

[Faint, illegible handwriting visible through the paper]

Com vs J.R. Hayes

Wm H. Kratzer ✓
Sment Hedrick ✓
H.M. Hoffman ✓
B.W. Bontz ✓
~~W.E. White~~
~~J.T. Burkome~~
A.R. Myers ✓

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Form No. 147.

DISCHARGE OF WITNESSES—SHORT FORM.

THE UNITED STATES
vs.



To Clerk U. S. _____ Court.

The following-named witnesses for the United States, viz:

Four horizontal dashed lines for listing witnesses.

Honorary copies

discharged this _____ day of _____, 19

_____, U. S. Attorney.

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OCT 1930

COMMONWEALTH

VS.) Misdr. (Pro.)

J. R. DAVIS

Wade H. Kroger ✓
Ernest Hidmark ✓
H.M. Coffman ✓
B.W. Bouty ✓
A.R. Myers ✓

Sheriff's Court

Arrest 10.00

Summon Witness 3.00

Court fee .50

Imp Jony \$13.50
1.50
\$15.00

Jail Oct 21-30

18th ✓
acc ✓



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