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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,

COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM, to-wit:

In the Circuit Court of said county:

The grand jurors in and for the body of said county of Rockingham and now attending said Court at its February term, 1927, upon their oaths do present that George A. Michael, within one year next prior to the finding of this indictment, in the said county of Rockingham, did unlawfully have in his possession a still, still cap, worm, tub, fermenter, and other appliances connected with and used in the operation of a still, without having the same registered as required by law, against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

This indictment is found on the testimony of F. L. Dirting, a witness sworn in Court and sent before the grand jury to give evidence.



We the jury find the defendant Geo. A. Michael, guilty  
as charged in the indictment and give his punishment - at  
one month in jail and a fine of \$50.00

Floyd P. Brink  
Foreman

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM, CO-VIR:

In the Circuit Court of said county:

Unlawful possession of still

Commonwealth

v) Indictment

Geo. A. Michael

Misdemeanor

February term, 1927

A True Bill:

Floyd P. Brink  
Foreman

D. W. Earman  
Commonwealth's Attorney



Arrest Warrant

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, } TO WIT:  
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY, }

To J. L. Dirling Federal Prohibition Officer, a Constable of said County:

Whereas, J. L. Dirling Federal Pro Officer of the said County, has this day made complaint and information on oath before me, P. J. Nugent a Justice of the said County, that George A. Michael

of the said County, on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of November 1926 in the said County, did

Unlawfully have in his possession One Still for the  
Manufacture of Ardent Spirits in Violation of the Prohibition  
Laws of this Commonwealth

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

George A. Michael  
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 8<sup>th</sup> day of November, in the year 1926

P. J. Nugent J. P. (Seal)



Rockingham County, State of Virginia.  
The accused came before me with J. M. Michael who was recognized  
in the sum of One thousand dollars for the appearance of  
Geo. A. Michael before me or some other Justice who may be there to  
try this warrant. and not depart therefrom without leave of the Court  
Given under my hand this the 8th day of November 1926

H. J. Cagney, J.P.

Commonwealth

vs.

Arrest Warrant

George A. Michael

Executed the within warrant by arresting  
and delivering the body of

George A. Michael

before

H. J. Cagney, J.P.  
a Justice of Rockingham County, and by sum-  
moning the within named witnesses in person,

this 8 day of November 1926

H. T. Rexrode

Constable of Rockingham County

State Inspector

F. J. Bail

Rockingham County, State of Virginia.  
The accused came before the Just. advised his preliminary  
hearing, and judgment is that he go on to the Grand Jury.  
George Michael and J. M. Michael were recognized each in  
the sum of \$1000 for the personal appearance before the  
Circuit Court of Rockingham County, Virginia on the  
1st day of Nov. Term of Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> 1926 and not depart  
without leave of the Court.  
Given under my hand this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of November 1926  
H. J. Cagney, J.P.



**In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:**

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

*You are hereby commanded to summon*.....

*Anthony D. Wine*  
*Does not live in the Western part of*  
*Ashby District.*

*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 28th day of Feb. 1927*

*to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth against*.....

*Geo. A. Michael*

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

*And this he 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*

*24 day of Feb. 1927 and in the 19th year of the Commonwealth.*

*J. F. Blackburn*, Clerk.

Anthony D. Wine

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon

Anthony D. Wine  
Duly certified.

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 1st day of July, 1877, to testify and the truth so say in behalf of the Commonwealth against

A. D. Wine

who stands charged with and indicted for a felony, misdemeanor, and this shall not omit under the penalty of \$100. And have them

and return this writ.

Witness J. E. BECKERMAN, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court House, the 1st day of July, 1877, and in the 1st year of the Commonwealth.

Clerk

**In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:**

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

You are hereby commanded to summon.....

W. J. Rysdale, Rev. A. L. Miller,  
S. L. Wine, & Anthony D. Wine

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 28<sup>th</sup> day of Feb. 1927  
to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth against.....

Geo. A. Michael

who stands charged with and indicted for a felony misdemeanor.

And this <sup>they</sup> 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  
24<sup>th</sup> day of Feb., 1927, and in the 14<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth.

J. F. Blackburn, Clerk.



Feb. 28, 1927

Sheriff fee \$1.50

Deer & smoke skins  
at once

com.  
No. A. Michael

Executed February 25<sup>th</sup> 1927, by  
Summoning, Rev. A. L. Miller and S. L.  
Wine, each in person, as directed in the  
within Process. Anthony S. Wine, not found,  
J. W. Revercomb, Deputy  
for L. W. Dove, S. R. Law



**In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:**

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

You are hereby commanded to summon

W. T. Rysdale, J. J. Lam,  
J. L. Dirting, Rev. A. L. Miller,  
S. L. Wine, A. S. Driver &  
Mrs. R. W. Hardsybell

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 21<sup>st</sup> day of Apr. 19. 27 to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth against

Geo. Michael

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 15 day of Apr. 1927, and in the 15<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth.

J. F. Blackburn, Clerk.

Com.

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

Geo. Michael

Executed April 15, 1927 by delivering a true Copy of the

within Summons to the within named witnesses

\_\_\_\_\_ In person, John Dove, Deputy  
for C. W. Dove, S. R. C.

Sheriff fee 3.50

Apr. 21, 1927



**In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:**

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

*You are hereby commanded to summon.....*

*Beckie Michael*

*Rockingham*  
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 *21* day of *April* 19*27*,

to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth against.....

*W. A. Michael*

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 *21* day of *April*, 19*27*, and in the 14*7*th year of the Commonwealth.

*J. F. Blackburn*, Clerk.

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John A. B. C. D. E. F. G. H. I. J. K. L. M. N. O. P. Q. R. S. T. U. V. W. X. Y. Z.

to testify and the party to each in behalf of the Commonwealth a

House passed at 10 o'clock, a. m., on the

to submit before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Rockingham County a

to

For the purpose of

To the Sheriff of Rockingham County

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia

Executed By delivering a copy of the  
with in person this 21 day of April  
J. T. Lam D. S. R. 1927



**In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:**

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

*You are hereby commanded to summon*.....

*J. L. Dierling*

*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 21<sup>st</sup> day of Feb. 1927,*

*to testify and the truth to, say in behalf of the Commonwealth before the Grand Jury*

*Geo. A. Michael*

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

*And this he 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 12<sup>th</sup> day of Feb. 1927, and in the 51<sup>st</sup> year of the Commonwealth.*

*J. F. Blackburn*, Clerk.

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

In the Sheriff's Office of Rockingham County, Virginia:

Com.

Geo. A. Michael

Executed Feb. 12, 1927 by delivering a true Copy of the  
within Summons to the within named witnesses  
in person.

C. W. Dove, S. R. C.

Sheriff fee .50

Feb. 24, 1927



**In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:**

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

You are hereby commanded to summon

L. L. Sandridge, Geo. Sandridge,  
Schrell Road & Dr. J. H. Dupre

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 18<sup>th</sup> day of Oct. 1916

to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth before the Grand Jury  
vs. Geo. Michael

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 16<sup>th</sup> day of Oct., 1916, and in the 51<sup>st</sup> year of the Commonwealth.

J. F. Blackburn, Clerk.

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Greenleaf

Com.

Geo. Michael

Executed Oct. 16, 1926 by delivering a true Copy of the  
within Summons to the within named witnesses  
\_\_\_\_\_ in person. C. W. Dove, J. R. B.

Sheriff fee \$ 2.00

Executed Oct 16 1926  
C. W. Dove S.R.

Oct. 16, 1926



All the jury find Geo A. Michael  
guilty.

Imposing a fine of (\$50.00) fifty  
Dollars fine, and (30) thirty days  
in jail

Floyd V. Brunk, Foreman.

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W. S. Miller	2.80
F. A. Taylor	2.90
J. S. Lane	2.50
Harry T. Storer	3.30
Kalen W. Flory	3.10
Floyd P. Brunk	1.60
P. A. Moore	1.90
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<u>    </u>	<u>\$18.10</u>

Sheriff costs	
arrest & still	50.00
summons	8.00
Imp. Jury	1.50
search warrant	1.00
	<u>60.50</u>

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Unlawful possession of still.  
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 us.                      mada. (Pro.)  
 Geo. A. Michall

Out to April Term





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