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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS

COUNTY OF CHARLESTON

STATE VS.

VAUGHN HILLIARD

AKA:

Race: [redacted] Sex: [redacted] Age: [redacted]

DOB: [redacted] SS#: [redacted]

Address: [redacted]

City, State, Zip: [redacted]

DL#: [redacted] SID# [redacted]

*CDL Yes ☐ No ☐ CMV Yes ☐ No ☐ Hazmat Yes ☐ No ☐

INDICTMENT/CASE#: 2014GS1001341

A/W: 2013A101020494

Date of Offense: 09/07/2013

S.C. Code §: 16-03-0010, 0020

CDR Code #: 0116

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SENTENCE SHEET

In disposition of the said indictment comes now the Defendant who was ☒ CONVICTED OF or ☐ PLEADS

TO: Murder

In violation of § 16-03-0010, 0020 of the S.C. Code of Laws, bearing CDR Code # 0116

☐ NON-VIOLENT ☒ VIOLENT ☐ SERIOUS ☒ MOST SERIOUS ☐ Mandatory GPS (CSC w/minor 1st or Lewd Act) ☐ §17-25-45

The charge is: ☒ As indicted. ☐ Lesser Included Offense, ☐ Defendant Waives Presentment to Grand Jury. _____ (def.'s initials)

The plea is: ☐ Without Negotiations or Recommendation, ☐ Negotiated Sentence, ☐ Recommendation by the State.

ATTEST:

Culver Kidd, Assistant Solicitor — 76671 SC Bar # — Defendant — Attorney for Defendant — 75164 SC Bar #

WHEREFORE, the Defendant is committed to the ☑ **State Department of Corrections** ☐ **County Detention Center,** for a determinate term of 40 ~~days/months~~/years or ☐ under the **Youthful ~~Offender Act~~** not to exceed _____ years and/or to pay a fine of $_____; ~~provided~~ that upon the service of _____ days/months/years ~~and or~~ payment of $_____; plus costs and assessments as applicable*; the balance is suspended with **probation** for _____ months/years and subject to South Carolina Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Service standard conditions of probation, which are incorporated by reference.

☐ CONCURRENT or ☐ CONSECUTIVE to sentence on: _____

☑ The Defendant is to be given credit for time served pursuant to S.C. Code §24-13-40 to be calculated and applied by the State Department of Corrections.

☐ The Defendant is to be placed on Central Registry of Child Abuse and Neglect pursuant to S.C. Code §17-25-135.

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 922, it is unlawful for a person convicted of a violation of Section 16-25-20 or 16-25-65 (Criminal Domestic Violence) to ship, transport, possess, or receive a firearm or ammunition.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

☐ RESTITUTION: ☐ Deferred ☐ Def. Waives Hearing

Total: $_____ plus 20% fee: _____ $_____

Payment Terms: _____

☐ Set by SCDPPPS _____

Recipient: _____

*Fine:		$
§14-1-206 (Assessments 107.5%)		$
§14-1-211 (A)(1)(Conv. Surcharge)	$100	$ 100.00
§14-1-211 (A)(2)(DUI Surcharge)	$100	$
§56-5-2995 (DUI Assessment)	$12	$
§56-1-286 (DUI Breath Test)	$25	$
Proviso 47.9 (Public Def/Prob)	$500	$
§14-1-212 (Law Enforce. Funding)	$25	$ 25.00
§14-1-213 (Drug Court Surcharge)	$150	$
§50-21-114 (BUI Breath Test Fee)	$50	$
§56-5-2942(J) (Vehicle Assessment)	$40/ea	$
Proviso 90.5 (SCCJA Surcharge)	$5	$ 5.00
3% to County (if paid in installments)	$	$ 3.90
TOTAL		$ 133.90

☐ Ordered PTUP _____

_____ days/hours Public Service Employment

Obtain GED ☐

Attend Voc. Rehab. Or Job Corp. _____

May serve W/E beginning _____

Substance Abuse Counseling ☐

Random Drug/Alcohol Testing ☐

Fine may be pd. in equal consecutive weekly/monthly pmts. of $_____ Beginning _____

$_____ Paid to Public Defender Fund

Other: _____

☐ Appointed PD or appointed other counsel, §47.12 requires $500 be paid to Clerk during probation.

Clerk of Court/Deputy Clerk: Naomi Cooper

Court Reporter: Joyce Ruegier

Presiding Judge: [signature]

Judge Code: 215

Sentence Date: 6/10/15

ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

JULIE J. ARMSTRONG (SEAL)

CLERK, C.P., G.S. & F.C.

BY [signature]

DEPUTY CLERK

SCCA/217 (03/2011)

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA	)	IN THE COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS
	)	FOR THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF CHARLESTON	)	CASE NO: 2014-GS-10-1341
	)	
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA	)	
	)	
v.	)	
	)	**VERDICT FORM**
VAUGHN HILLIARD,	)	
_____	)	

VERDICT

1. We, the Jury, find the Defendant Vaughn Hilliard NOT GUILTY.____

OR

2. We, the Jury, find the Defendant Vaughn Hilliard GUILTY of Murder. X

I certify that this decision is the unanimous decision of the Jury.

Shelly L. Weaver

Shelly L. Weaver, Foreperson.
June 10, 2015.

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WITNESSES

North Charleston Police Department

AGENCY CASE NUMBER

2013031003

ARREST WARRANT NUMBER

2013A1010204947

DATE OF ARREST

September 9, 2013

ACTION OF GRAND JURY

TRUE BILL

Foreperson of Grand Jury

Date: MAR 11 2014

VERDICT

Guilty

Shelley L Weaver 6/10/15

Foreperson of Petit Jury Date:

INDICT

DOCKET NO. 2014GS1001341

The State of South Carolina

County of Charleston

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS

March Term 2014

THE STATE

vs.

VAUGHN HILLIARD

DOB: [redacted]

Indictment for

Murder

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
)
COUNTY OF CHARLESTON)

INDICTMENT

At a Court of General Sessions, convened on March 10, 2014 the Grand Jurors of Charleston County present upon their oath:

Murder

That in Charleston County on or about September 7, 2013, with malice aforethought, VAUGHN HILLIARD did kill and murder Troy Cason by means of gunshot, and that Troy Cason did die in Charleston County as a proximate result thereof on September 9, 2013; in violation of Section 16-3-10 of the South Carolina Code of Laws (1976) as amended.

Against the peace and dignity of the State, and contrary to the statute in such case made and provided.

CULVER KIDD
ASSISTANT SOLICITOR

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JULIE J. ARMSTRONG (SEAL)
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ARREST WARRANT

2013A1010204947

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of

Charleston

THE STATE

against

Vaughn Hilliard

Address: [redacted]

Phone: SSN: [redacted]

Sex: [redacted] Race: [redacted] Height: 6 Weight: 280

DL State: DL #: H46387257410

DOB: [redacted] Agency ORI #: SC0100800

Prosecuting Agency: North Charleston Police Department

Prosecuting Officer: S Andrews - 0864

Offense: Murder / Murder

Offense Code: 0116

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-03-0010, 0020

This warrant is CERTIFIED FOR SERVICE in the [ ] County/ [ ] Municipality of _____. The accused is to be arrested and brought before me to be dealt with according to the law.

(L.S.)

Signature of Judge

Date:

RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to defendant Vaughn Hilliard on Sept 9, 2013

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Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions
Charleston County Judicial Center
100 Broad Street, Suite 106
Charleston, SC 29401

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of)
Charleston)

AFFIDAVIT

ORIGINAL

Form Approved by S.C. Attorney General April 21, 2003 SCCA 518

Personally appeared before me the affiant S Andrews / G. Kramer who being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Vaughn Hilliard did within this county and state on or about 9/ 7/2013 violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of [X] County/ [ ] Municipality of Charleston) in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Murder / Murder

I further state that there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit the crime set forth and that probable cause is based on the following facts:

SEE ATTACHED AFFIDAVIT

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of)
Charleston)

Affiant's Address 2500 City Hall Lane
North Charleston, SC 29406-

Affiant's Telephone (843)554-5700

ARREST WARRANT

TO ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THIS STATE OR MUNICIPALITY OR ANY CONSTABLE OF THIS COUNTY:

It appearing from the above affidavit that there are reasonable grounds to believe that on or about 9/ 7/2013 defendant Vaughn Hilliard did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of [X] County/ [ ] Municipality of Charleston) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Murder / Murder

Having found probable cause and the above affiant having sworn before me, you are empowered and directed to arrest the said defendant and bring him or her before me forthwith to be dealt with according to law. A copy of this Arrest Warrant shall be delivered to the defendant at the time of its execution, or as soon thereafter as is practicable

Sworn to and subscribed before me on 9/ 9/2013)

(L.S.)

Signature of Issuing Judge

Linda Schwartz Lombard

Judge Code: 7004

Judge's Address 3870 Leeds Avenue, Suite 106
North Charleston, SC 29405-7469

Judge's Telephone (843)746-9822

Issuing Court: [X] Magistrate [ ] Municipal [ ] Circuit

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JULIE J. ARMSTRONG (SEAL)
CLERK C.P., G.S. & F.C.
By _____
DEPUTY CLERK

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

AFFIDAVIT

COUNTY OF CHARLESTON
CITY OF NORTH CHARLESTON

OCA# 2013031003
INV. Det. S. Andrews

Personally appeared before me, a magistrate of this County, one Glen Kramer who, first being duly sworn, deposes and says that (name of the defendant)

Vaughn Louis Hilliard

did within this County and State on the 7th,day of September, 2013 violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE
MURDER
16-3-10

The affiant states there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit the crime(s) set forth, and that such probable cause is based on the following facts:

On September 7th, 2013, at approximately 6:30 PM, while at , located in the City of North Charleston, County of Charleston, State of South Carolina the defendant, **Vaughn Louis Hilliard** did commit the offense of MURDER, in violation of section 16-3-10 of the South Carolina Code of Laws of 1976, as amended. In that he willfully, willingly, and with malice aforethought, killed the victim Troy Eugene Carson, by shooting him in the torso with a rifle.

FACTS TO ESTABLISH THE AFORESAID ARE THAT:

On September 7th, 2013 Officers from the North Charleston Police Department were dispatched to Roper Hospital regarding a gunshot victim. Upon arrival officer were advised that the victim was transported to MUSC due to the extent of his injuries. The victim and his girlfriend were at the incident location visiting. The victim and the defendant engaged in a verbal argument, and the victim pushed the defendant causing him to fall down. The defendant got up, went into his residence and retrieved a Springfield Arms Model 187S 22 Caliber Rifle bearing serial # A898528, and returned outside. Once outside the victim and the defendant again began to argue before the victim decided to leave and avoid anymore confrontation. At this point the defendant shot the victim one time in the torso. The victim ran from the location and was picked up by a witness and driven to the hospital. The victim was later pronounced dead at MUSC. Detective S. Andrews through his investigation, and Angela Steed are witness to prove the same. All against the law, peace and dignity of the State of South Carolina.

Sworn to and Subscribed before me

this 9th, day of September, 2013

(AFFIANT)

Address: **2500 City Hall Lane**
North Charleston, SC 29406
Phone: **843-554-5700**

Signature of Judge

ATTEST: A TRUE COPY
JULIE J. ARMSTRONG (SEAL)
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