

WITNESSES

Chad M. Collins Florence County Sheriff

Ryan White

ARREST WARRANT NUMBER

2017A2110200302

ACTION OF GRAND JURY

TRUE BILL

Foreperson of Grand Jury

Date: 11-20-18

VERDICT

Foreperson of Petit Jury

Date:

DOCKET NO. **2018-GS-21-02038**

The State of South Carolina

County of

FLORENCE

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS

NOVEMBER

TERM

2018

THE STATE

vs.

MERRICK JASON MATTHEWS

Indictment for

MURDER

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FLORENCE COUNTY, S.C.

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COUNTY OF FLORENCE)

INDICTMENT FOR

MURDER

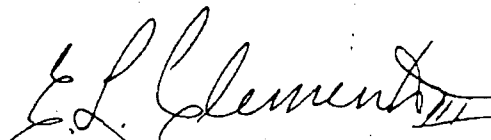
At a Court of General Sessions, convened on NOVEMBER 20, 2018 the Grand Jurors of FLORENCE County present upon their oath:

TV 57 5017
COUNT ONE- MURDER

CDR: 0116 16-03-0010-0020
RECORDED

That MERRICK JASON MATTHEWS did in Florence County, on or about April 2, 2017, willfully, feloniously, and intentionally kill the victim, Michael Cox, with malice aforethought, either express or implied, by means of a gunshot, and the victim did die as a proximate result thereof on or about April 2, 2017, in Florence County, in violation of Section 16-03-0010, S. C. 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.



E.L. Clements, III
TWELFTH CIRCUIT SOLICITOR

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS

COUNTY OF Florence
STATE VS. Merrick Jason Matthews
AKA:
Race: Black Sex: M Age: 40
DOB: SS#:
Address:
City, State, Zip:
DL#: SID#:
*CDL Yes No CMV Yes No Hazmat Yes No

INDICTMENT/CASE#: 2018-GS-21-02038
A/W#: 2017A2110200302
Date of Offense: 4/2/2017
S.C. Code § : 16-03-0010; 16-03-0020
CDR Code #: 0116

SENTENCE SHEET

In disposition of the said indictment comes now the Defendant who was TO: Manslaughter / Voluntary manslaughter (2-30)

in violation of § 16-03-0050 of the S.C. Code of Laws, bearing CDR Code # 0217
NON-VIOLENT VIOLENT SERIOUS MOST SERIOUS
Mandatory GPS §17-25-45 (CSC w/minor 1st or CSC w/minor 3rd)

The charge is: As Indicted, Lesser Included Offense, Defendant Waives Presentation to Grand Jury.
The plea is: Without Negotiations or Recommendation, Negotiated Sentence, Recommendation by the State.

ATTEST: Solicitor 102584 SC Bar# Defendant Attorney for Defendant USA, Merit (CO) 15771 SC Bar#

WHEREFORE, the Defendant is committed to the State Department of Corrections, County Detention Center,
for a determinate term of 25 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 Services 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 SCDoc.

Credit for 626 days
The Defendant is to be placed on the 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 (Domestic Violence) to ship, transport, possess, or receive a firearm or ammunition.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

RESTITUTION: Deferred Def. Waives Hearing Ordered PTUP
Total: \$ plus 20% fees
Payment Terms:
Set by SCDPPPS

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Table with 3 columns: Description, Amount, Total. Includes items like § 14-1-206 (Assessments 107.5%), § 14-1-211(A)(1) (Conv. Surcharge) \$100, § 14-1-211(A)(2) (DUI Surcharge) \$100, § 56-5-2995 (DUI Assessment) \$12, § 56-1-286 (DUI Breath Test) \$25, Proviso (Public Def/Probation) \$500, § 14-1-212 (Law Enforce. Funding) \$25, § 14-1-213 (Drug Court Surcharge) \$150, § 50-21-114 (BUI Breath Test Fee) \$50, § 56-5-2942(J) (Vehicle Assessment) \$40/ea, 3% to County (if paid in installments) \$ 3.75, TOTAL \$ 128.75

Clerk of Court/ Deputy Clerk E. Rasm
Court Reporter: K Smith
SCCA/217 (04/2018)

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: Pay \$ 40 PD fee

Appointed PD or appointed other counsel
§ Proviso requires \$500 be paid to Clerk during probation and shall be collected before any other fees.
Presiding Judge
Judge Code: 2141
Sentence Date: 1-9-2019

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