

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA OCT 14 PM 2: 45

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA,)	2.40
Plaintiff,)	PAM SMITH,
)	301
VS.)	Case No. CF-2022- 32 4 PUTY
)	
CODY LEE KETCHUM,	(*))	
DOB: 7/27/1986)	
SSN: XXX-XX-8692)	
Defendant.)	

INDICTMENT

FOR:

COUNT 1: MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE, 21 O.S. § 701.7(A), a FELONY COUNT 2: DESTROYING EVIDENCE, 21 O.S. § 454, a MISDEMEANOR

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

By the order of the Supreme Court of Oklahoma, the Nineteenth Multicounty Grand Jury of Oklahoma was convened with its principal site to be in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma County, Oklahoma, to serve from January 20, 2022, for eighteen (18) months, or until the designated presiding judge determines the Nineteenth Multicounty Grand Jury has reached reasonable completion of its investigations, but, in any event, no more than twenty-four (24) months from the commencement of its term. That said Multicounty Grand Jury of the State of Oklahoma, being composed of good and lawful men and woman, legally drawn and summoned according to law, and then and there examined, impaneled, sworn, and charged according to law to diligently inquire into, and true presentment make, of all public offenses against the State of Oklahoma committed and triable within the State of Oklahoma, upon their oath, and in the name and by the authority of the State of Oklahoma, do present and find:

COUNT 1: MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE, 21 O.S. § 701.7(A), a FELONY

On or about January 20, 2017, in Pittsburg County, Oklahoma, the crime of MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE was committed by CODY KETCHUM, who unlawfully and with malice aforethought caused the death of Holly Cantrell thereby inflicting mortal wounds upon the body of Holly Cantrell from which mortal wounds the same Holly Cantrell did languish and die, contrary to the provisions of Title 21 O.S. § 701.7(A) and against the peace and dignity of the State of Oklahoma.

TRUE BILL

NO BILL

FOREMAN

OKLAHOMA MULTICOUNTY GRAND JURY

PENALTY:

COUNT 1: 21 O.S. §701.7(A) – A person who is convicted of or pleads guilty or nolo contendere to murder in the first degree shall be punished by death, by imprisonment for life without parole or by imprisonment for life. A person who is convicted of or pleads guilty or nolo contendere to murder in the first degree, as described in subsection E of Section 701.7 of this title, shall be punished by death or by life without parole and absent an overwhelming amount of mitigating evidence shall not be entitled to or afforded the benefit of receiving imprisonment for life or deferment of the sentence.

COUNT 2: DESTROYING EVIDENCE, 21 O.S. § 454, a MISDEMEANOR

On or between January 20, 2017, through June 22, 2018, in Pittsburg County, Oklahoma. the crime of **DESTROYING EVIDENCE** was committed by **CODY KETCHUM**, who unlawfully and knowingly deleted text messages between himself and Holly Cantrell from his cellular phone device, utilizing phone number 918-421-1620, contrary to the provisions of Section 454 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes and against the peace and dignity of the State of Oklahoma.

TRUE BILL

NO BILL

FOREMAN

OKLAHOMA MULTICOUNTY GRAND JURY

PENALTY:

COUNT 1: 21 O.S. §454 – A person who is convicted of destroying evidence is guilty of a misdemeanor. Except in cases where a different punishment is prescribed by this chapter or by some existing provisions of law, every offense declared to be a misdemeanor is punishable by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding one year or by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or both such fine and imprisonment.

WITNESSES (Before the Grand Jury):

Reserve Deputy George Scott, Pittsburg County Sheriff's Office

Agent Elizabeth Fullbright, Oklahoma Attorney General's Office

Shaun Rogers, c/o Oklahoma Attorney General's Office

Preston Rodgers, McAlester Police Department

Brant Gamble, McAlester Police Department

Jerry Heaslett, c/o Oklahoma Attorney General's Office

Tommy Cantrell, c/o Oklahoma Attorney General's Office

Shawn Howard, c/o Oklahoma Attorney General's Office

Johnny Cullin, c/o Oklahoma Attorney General's Office

Agent John Jones, OSBI

Sheriff, Chris Morris, Pittsburg County Sheriff's Office

Diane Hogue, OSBI

Dr. Marc Harrison. Chief Medical Examiner's Office of Oklahoma

Dr. Carlos Zambrano, Chief Medical Examiner's Office of Oklahoma

Brent Jarrett, c/o Oklahoma Attorney General's Office

Leslie Standstipher, c/o Oklahoma Attorney General's Office

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