

IN THE CRIMINAL/CIRCUIT COURT OF HAWKINS COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Case Number: 08CR0404 Count # 3 Attorney for the State: Chadwick Jackson
 Judicial District: THIRD Judicial Division: _____ Counsel for Defendant: Larry Boyd

State of Tennessee
 vs.
 Defendant: Charles Otis Lawson Alias: _____
 Date of Birth: 8-12-48 Sex: M Race: W SSN: _____
 Indictment Filing Date: _____ TDOC # _____ State Control # _____
 State ID # _____ County Offender ID # _____

- Retained Appointed Public Defender
 Counsel Waived Pro Se

JUDGMENT

- Original Amended Corrected

Comes the District Attorney General for the State and the defendant with counsel of record for entry of judgment.

On the 30 day of October, 2009, the defendant:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pled Guilty <input type="checkbox"/> Dismissed/Nolle Prosequi <input type="checkbox"/> Nolo Contendere <input type="checkbox"/> Retired/Unapprehended Defendant <input type="checkbox"/> Guilty Plea - Pursuant to 40-35-313 Is found: <input type="checkbox"/> Guilty <input type="checkbox"/> Not Guilty <input type="checkbox"/> Jury Verdict <input type="checkbox"/> Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity <input type="checkbox"/> Bench Trial	Indictment: Class (circle one) 1 st A B C D (E) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Felony <input type="checkbox"/> Misdemeanor Offense: <u>Official Misconduct</u> Amended Charge: _____ Offense Date: <u>1-11-06 to 8-3-06</u> County: <u>HAWKINS</u> Conviction Offense: <u>Official Misconduct</u> Is this conviction offense methamphetamine related? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No TCA #: <u>39-10-402</u> Sentence Imposed Date: <u>10-30-09</u> Conviction: Class (circle one) 1 st A B C D (E) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Felony <input type="checkbox"/> Misdemeanor
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After considering the evidence, the entire record, & all factors in T.C.A. Title 40 Chapter 35, all of which are incorporated by reference herein, the Court's findings & rulings are:

Sentence Reform Act of 1989 Offender Status (Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Standard <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple <input type="checkbox"/> Persistent <input type="checkbox"/> Career <input type="checkbox"/> Repeat Violent Release Eligibility (Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated 20% <input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated 30% <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Standard 30% <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple 35% <input type="checkbox"/> Persistent 45% <input type="checkbox"/> Career 60% <input type="checkbox"/> Violent 100% <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Rapist 100% <input type="checkbox"/> Child Rapist 100% <input type="checkbox"/> Repeat Violent 100% <input type="checkbox"/> Child Predator 100% <input type="checkbox"/> 1 st Degree Murder <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Free Zone <input type="checkbox"/> Gang Related	Concurrent with: <u>count 4</u> Consecutive to: _____	Pretrial Jail Credit Period(s): From _____ to _____ From _____ to _____ From _____ to _____ From _____ to _____
Sentenced To: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TDOC <input type="checkbox"/> County Jail <input type="checkbox"/> Workhouse Sentence Length: <u>2</u> Years _____ Months _____ Days _____ Hours _____ Weekends <input type="checkbox"/> Life <input type="checkbox"/> Life w/out Parole <input type="checkbox"/> Death Mandatory Minimum Sentence Length: _____ 39-17-417, 39-13-513, 39-13-514 in Drug Free Zone or _____ 55-10-401 DUI 4 th Offense or _____ 39-17-1324 Possession/Employment of Firearm Period of incarceration to be served prior to release on probation: _____ Months _____ Days _____ Hours _____ Weekends Minimum service prior to eligibility for work release, furlough, trusty status and rehabilitative programs: _____ % (Misdemeanor Only) Alternative Sentence: <input type="checkbox"/> Probation <input type="checkbox"/> Diversion <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Court <input type="checkbox"/> Community Based Alternative - Specify _____ _____ Years _____ Months _____ Days Effective: _____		
Court Ordered Fees and Fines: \$ _____ Court Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Defendant <input type="checkbox"/> State \$ _____ Fine Assessed \$ _____ Traumatic Brain Injury Fund (Drag Racing) \$ _____ Drug Testing Fund (TN Drug Control Act) \$ _____ CICF \$ _____ Sex Offender Tax \$ _____ Other: _____	Restitution: Victim Name <u>Town of Surginsville</u> Address <u>POB 67</u> <u>Surginsville, TN 37873</u> Total Amount \$ <u>4,500</u> Per Month \$ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Unpaid Community Service: _____ Hours _____ Days _____ Weeks _____ Months	

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 Pursuant to 39-13-521 the defendant is ordered to provide a biological specimen for the purpose of HIV testing.
 Special Conditions Pursuant to 39-13-524 the defendant is sentenced to community supervision for life following sentence expiration.

CREDIT TIME SERVED.

JOHN F DUGGER, JR. Judge's Name
[Signature] Judge's Signature
10-30-09 Date of Entry of Judgment
[Signature] Attorney for State/Signature (optional)
[Signature] Defendant's Attorney/Signature (optional)
 CR-3419 (Rev. 1/08) White - Criminal Court Clerk Canary - TN Dept. of Correction/SMS Pink - AOC Goldenrod - Jail RDA 1167

IN THE CRIMINAL/CIRCUIT COURT OF HAWKINS COUNTY, TENNESSEE

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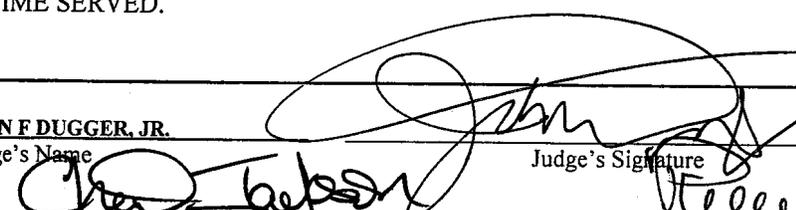
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JOHN F DUGGER, JR. Judge's Name 10-30-09 Date of Entry of Judgment
 Judge's Signature Charles O. Lawson Defendant's Attorney/Signature (optional)
 Attorney for State/Signature (optional) Defendant's Attorney/Signature (optional)

IN THE CRIMINAL COURT FOR HAWKINS COUNTY, TENNESSEE

STATE OF TENNESSEE

VS

NO. 08CR0404

Charles Otis Lawson

ALFORD

WAIVER OF RIGHTS AND PLEA OF GUILTY

My true name is Charles Otis Lawson and my attorney is Phillip L. Boyd, who was (retained by me) (appointed by the Court). I have received and read a copy of the (indictment) (warrant) (information), discussed it with my attorney, and understand the nature of the charges against me. I have told my attorney the facts and circumstances concerning the accusation(s) against me. My attorney has informed me as to the nature and cause of the charges against me and as to possible defenses. My attorney has further advised me as to the punishment provided by law for the offense(s) charged against me and the offense(s) to which I am pleading guilty.

I am pleading guilty to: Count 3: OFFICIAL MISCONDUCT (E felony) and Count 4: Official misconduct (E felony). All other charges dismissed

The sentence I will receive is: 2 years; supervised probation until costs & restitution paid in full; then unsupervised probation subject to court approval. Fines: 0. Restitution 4,500 to be paid in 3 equal monthly installments

It has been fully explained to me, and I understand that I may, if I so choose, plead not guilty to any offense charged against me and that if I choose to plead not guilty, the Constitution guarantees and this Court will provide me the right to a speedy and public trial by jury, the right to confront and cross-examine all witnesses against me, the right to use the subpoena process of the Court to compel the production of any evidence, including the attendance of any witness in my favor, the right to have a jury impose any fine in excess of \$50.00, the right to have the assistance of counsel in my defense in all stages of the proceedings and to have counsel appointed if I cannot afford to hire a lawyer, and the right not to be compelled to incriminate myself. I understand if I plead guilty I waive my right to a jury trial and all the other above rights.

In the exercise of my own free will and choice, and without any threats or pressure of any kind, or promises of gain or favor from any other source whatsoever, and being fully aware of the action I am taking, I do hereby in open Court request the Court to accept my plea of guilty to the charge(s) as set out herein. Furthermore, having been advised of my constitutional rights, I freely and voluntarily waive my right to a trial by jury, my right not to be compelled to incriminate myself, my right to have a jury impose any fine in excess of \$50.00 and all other rights explained to me. I hereby submit my case to the Trial Judge for decisions, both as to guilt and punishment. I understand I have the right to appeal any decision I am dissatisfied with but waive any right to appeal if this plea is accepted. I am aware this conviction may be used in a subsequent proceeding to enhance the punishment for subsequent offenses.

This 30 day of October, 2009.

Charles Otis Lawson Defendant

Approved and Concurred in:

Phillip L. Boyd Attorney for Defendant

Chae Jackson Assistant District Attorney General

CERTIFICATE OF JUDGE

I hereby certify the above-named Defendant, being represented by Phillip Boyd a member in good standing of the Tennessee Bar, pleaded guilty to the offense(s) as stated above and did so after a full explanation of his/her rights were made to him/her after he/she voluntarily, intelligently, knowingly and understandingly waived his/her said rights, all in open Court.

This 30 day of October, 2009.

Judge Signature

IN THE CRIMINAL COURT FOR HAWKINS COUNTY, TENNESSEE

STATE OF TENNESSEE

CASE NO. 08CR0404

VS.

CT. 1: theft over \$1,000;
INDICTED CHARGE CT 2: Official misconduct
CT 3: Official Misconduct CT 4: Official misconduct
CONVICTED CHARGE CT 3: Official misconduct
CT 4: official misconduct

Charles Otis Lawson

DATE OF BIRTH 08/12/1948
RACE W SEX M
SSN [redacted]

NEGOTIATED PLEA AGREEMENT

It is stipulated and agreed between the State of Tennessee and the defendant, Charles Otis Lawson, Alford

that upon the defendant's plea of guilty to the offense(s) of Count 3: official misconduct and (all other charges dismissed) Count 4: official misconduct

a sentencing hearing is waived and the State and the defendant recommended the defendant be sentenced as follows:

- 1. Classification of Offense(s): () Class A Felony, () Class B Felony, () Class C Felony, () Class D Felony, (x) Class E Felony, () Class A Misdemeanor, () Class B Misdemeanor, () Class C Misdemeanor
2. Classification of Defendant: () Especially Mitigated Offender, (x) Standard Offender, () Multiple Offender, () Persistent Offender, () Career Offender
3. Release Classification Status: () 20%, () 30%, () 35%, () 45%, () 60%, () %

- 4. Term of Sentence: 2 years; supervised probation until costs and restitution paid in full; then unsupervised probation subject to court
5. Fine(s): -0- approval
6. Restitution: 4,500 to be paid in three equal monthly installments
7. Recommended as to how sentence served: () Confinement in Department of Correction, () Confinement in County Jail, () Probation, () Alternative Sentencing, () Conditions: supervised probation until costs & restitution paid in full; then unsupervised probation subject to court approval
8. (Concurrently) (Consecutively) () reasons: () other sentence:
8. Waivers: () pre-sentence report, () notice of enhancement, ()

It is understood that the sentencing judge may not and is not required to accept all or any of the above recommendations.

STIPULATED AND AGREED TO BY:

Charles Otis Lawson
Defendant

DATE: 10/30/09

[Signature]
Attorney for Defendant

[Signature]
Assistant District Attorney General

PRESENT LENT

STATE OF TENNESSEE

CHARGE: Theft over \$1,000 T.C.A. 39-14-101 *et seq*
D Felony

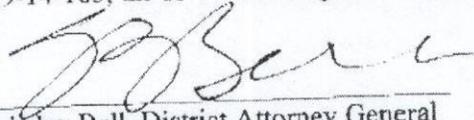
VS

Charles Otis Lawson
1315 West Main Street
Surgoinville, TN 37873
DOB: Aug. 12, 1948
Soc. Sec. #: _____

Case Number 08 CR 0404

COUNT 1

The Grand Jurors for the CRIMINAL COURT for HAWKINS COUNTY, TENNESSEE, meeting on December 8th, 2008, in Rogersville, after being duly empaneled and sworn, upon their oath to present that: **Charles Otis Lawson**, between **June 9, 2006 and January 15, 2008**, in the State and County aforesaid, and before a finding of this indictment, did unlawfully commit the offense of **Theft over \$1,000** by knowingly obtaining or exercising control over the property of another **to-wit**: a military surplus engine analyzer valued at \$7,248 and a truck hitch valued at \$300 all of which were owned by the Town of Surgoinville; without effective legal consent and with intent to deprive the Town of Surgoinville thereof; in violation of T.C.A. § 39-14-103, all of which is against the peace and dignity of the State of Tennessee.



C. Berkeley Bell, District Attorney General

WITNESSES: Summons for State

Robert N. Allen, Investigative Auditor, Office of the Comptroller, PROSECUTOR
Special Agent Brian Pritchard, TBI; Lew Robbins and Richard Kleiner, Investigative Auditors, Office of the Comptroller; Jeff Hesoun, Surgoinville Police Chief; Danny Lawson, employed with public works department; Scotty Calton, employed with public works department; Tim Hoss, Don Thurman, and Ralph Bass, Town of Surgoinville Aldermen; Joe May, Surgoinville Town Attorney; Sherry Minor, town recorder; Pat Hardy, Municipal Technical Advisory Service, 3119 Bristol Hwy Northridge Center, Suite 302 Johnson City, TN 37601; Dale Scalf, Surgoinville Police Dept (Ret.); Randall Vaughn, 319 Ridgehaven Road, Surgoinville, TN 37873



C. Berkeley Bell, District Attorney General

TRUE BILL: YES

NO

Cathy Traupen
Gandy Bennett
Jane Shelby
Ernie K. Jones
Edna Caldwell
Dessie Barnett
Ann Anderson

James Lawson
Carl D. Bell
Mark E. Bell
Ray Rogers
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John W. Wray
Foreman of the Grand Jury

WITNESSES:

Robert N. Allen, Investigative Auditor, Office of the Comptroller of the Treasury, was sworn by me and testified before me in the Grand Jury Room on December 8th, 2008.

John W. Wray
Foreman of the Grand Jury

PRESENTMENT

STATE OF TENNESSEE

CHARGE: Official Misconduct T.C.A. § 39-16-401 *et seq*
E Felony

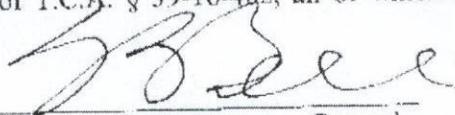
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COUNT 2

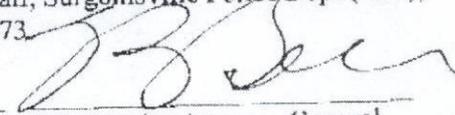
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C. Berkeley Bell, District Attorney General

WITNESSES: Summons for State

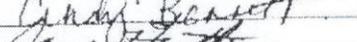
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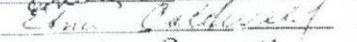
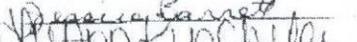
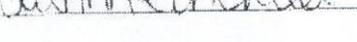


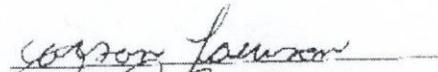
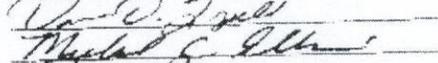
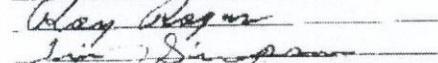
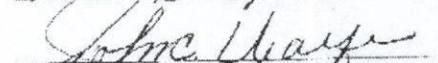
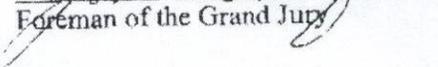
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TRUE BILL: YES

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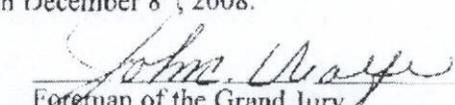









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WITNESSES:

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PRESENTMENT

STATE OF TENNESSEE

CHARGE: Official Misconduct T.C.A. 39-16-401 *et seq*
E Felony

VS

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COUNT 3

The Grand Jurors for the **CRIMINAL COURT** for **HAWKINS COUNTY, TENNESSEE**, meeting on December 8th, 2008, in **Rogersville**, after being duly empaneled and sworn, upon their oath to present that: **Charles Otis Lawson**, between **January 11, 2006 and August 3, 2006**, in the State and County aforesaid, and before a finding of this indictment, did unlawfully commit the offense of **Official Misconduct** and knowingly or intentionally violate a law, **to-wit**: T.C.A. § 12-4-101 of the Conflict of Interest Law, relating to his office as vice-mayor of the Town of Surgoinsville and as a public servant, with the intent to obtain a benefit or to harm another and further concealed the conflict of interest from detection by city officials and the public at large through repeated denial of his ownership interest in A & L contracting which was finally revealed on January 14, 2008; in violation of T.C.A. § 39-16-402, all of which is against the peace and dignity of the State of Tennessee.

C. Berkeley Bell, District Attorney General

WITNESSES: Summons for State

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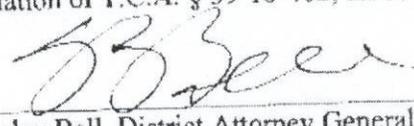
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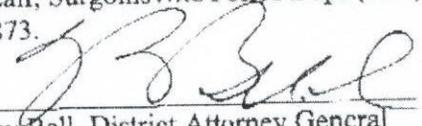
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