

NO: 20780

STATE OF TENNESSEE

VS:

MONICA BRIDGES

Indictment for

THEFT OF PROPERTY, T.C.A. §39-14-103(a)
OFFICIAL MISCONDUCT, T.C.A. §39-16-402
FORGERY, T.C.A. §39-14-114(a)
CRIMINAL SIMULATION, T.C.A. 39-14-115(a)

WITNESSES:

Summon for State



Anthony L. Clark,
Prosecutor

A TRUE BILL

Foreman of the Grand Jury

01 MAY 2023
Date

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STATE OF TENNESSEE } CIRCUIT COURT OF GIBSON COUNTY
GIBSON COUNTY } MAY 01, 2023

FIRST COUNT:

THE GRAND JURORS of Gibson County, Tennessee, duly empaneled and sworn, upon their oaths, present that **MONICA BRIDGES** during a period of time between October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2022, in Gibson County, Tennessee, and before the finding of this indictment, did intentionally or knowingly obtain or exercise control over property, to-wit: compensation for falsely claimed salary, benefits and supplemental pay, of the value of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or more but less than sixty thousand doillars (\$60,000), being the property of the Gibson County Recovery Court, which is jointly funded by the Gibson County Government and the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse, without the owner's effective consent, with the intent to deprive the said Gibson County Recovery Court thereof, thereby committing the offense of THEFT OF PROPERTY, in violation of T.C.A. §39-14-103(a), against the peace and dignity of the State of Tennessee.

COUNT TWO:

And the Grand Jurors aforesaid, upon their oath aforesaid, present further that **MONICA BRIDGES** during a period of time between October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2022, in Gibson County, Tennessee, and before the finding of this indictment, did intentionally and knowingly with intent to obtain a benefit, commit an act, to-wit: file false timesheets and use gift cards, which were purchases as incentives for participants/graduates in the Recovery Court, for her personal use; said actions relating to the servant's office or employment constitutes an unauthorized exercise of official power, thereby committing the offense of OFFICIAL MISCONDUCT, in violation of T.C.A. §39-16-402, against the peace and dignity of the State of Tennessee.

COUNT THREE:

And the Grand Jurors aforesaid, upon their oath aforesaid, present further that **MONICA BRIDGES** during a period of time between October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2022, in Gibson County, Tennessee, and before the finding of this indictment, did intentionally or knowingly, and with intent to defraud or harm another, alter, make, complete, execute or authenticate timesheets, subsequently presented to the Gibson County Payroll Department, without the authorization of General Sessions Judge, Mark L. Agee, so that the said paper writings purported to bear the signature of Judge Agee, and which signatures were forged via the use of his stamped signature, which the said Monica Bridges had access to, but without the authorization of Judge Agee; the cumulative amount of the forged timesheets being in an amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or more but less than sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000), thereby committing the offense of FORGERY, in violation of T.C.A. §39-14-114(a), against the peace and dignity of the State of Tennessee.

COUNT FOUR:

And the Grand Jurors aforesaid, upon their oath aforesaid, present further that **MONICA BRIDGES** during a period of time between October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2022, in Gibson County, Tennessee, and before the finding of this indictment, did intentionally or knowingly, and with intent to defraud or harm another, to-wit: the Gibson County Recovery Court, which is jointly funded by the Gibson County Government and the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse, possess an object so made or altered, with intent to pass or otherwise utter it, to-wit: timesheets, which the said Monica Bridges authenticated using the stamped signature of General Sessions Judge, Mark L. Agee, the cumulative amount of the timesheets being in an amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or more but less than sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000), thereby committing the offense of CRIMINAL SIMULATION, in violation of T.C.A. §39-14-115(a), against the peace and dignity of the State of Tennessee.



J. Neil Thompson
District Attorney General, Pro Tempore