

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA  
AUGUSTA DIVISION

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SAVANNAH DIV.

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

INDICTMENT NO.: CLERK

SO. DIST. OF GA.

v.

VIO: Deprivation of Rights  
18 U.S.C. § 242; 2

JOHN WILLIAMS,  
ANTONIO BINNS, and  
JUSTIN WASHINGTON,

Obstruction of Justice  
18 U.S.C. § 1519

Defendants.

**COUNT 1**  
**(Deprivation of Rights)**

On or about February 13, 2014, in Richmond and Columbia Counties, in the  
Southern District of Georgia, Defendants

**JOHN WILLIAMS,  
ANTONIO BINNS, and  
JUSTIN WASHINGTON,**

while acting under color of law as correctional officers at Augusta State Medical  
Prison and while aiding and abetting one another, willfully deprived C.V., an  
inmate at the Augusta State Medical Prison, of the right, protected and secured by  
the Constitution and laws of the United States, to be free from cruel and unusual  
punishment, which includes the right to be free from excessive force by an officer.  
Specifically, Defendants attacked and assaulted C.V. while he was handcuffed  
behind his back. The offense involved the use of a baton, a dangerous weapon, and  
resulted in bodily injury to C.V.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 242 and 2.

**COUNT 2**  
**(Obstruction of Justice – Falsification of Document)**

On or about February 13, 2014, in Richmond and Columbia Counties, in the Southern District of Georgia, Defendant

**ANTONIO BINNS,**

in relation to and in contemplation of a matter within the jurisdiction of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, an agency of the United States, knowingly falsified and made a false entry in a document with the intent to impede, obstruct, and influence the investigation and proper administration of the matter within federal jurisdiction. Specifically, Defendant **BINNS** falsified a Georgia Department of Corrections Use of Force Supplement Report relating to a use of force against inmate C.V. by falsely reporting: “The minimum amount of force was used to gain positive control.” This statement was false because, as **BINNS** knew, he and his co-defendants had assaulted and injured C.V. without legal justification.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1519.

**COUNT 3**  
**(Obstruction of Justice – Falsification of Document)**

On or about February 13, 2014, in Richmond and Columbia Counties, in the Southern District of Georgia, Defendant

**JUSTIN WASHINGTON,**

in relation to and in contemplation of a matter within the jurisdiction of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, an agency of the United States, knowingly falsified and made a false entry in a document with the intent to impede, obstruct, and influence

the investigation and proper administration of the matter within federal jurisdiction. That is, Defendant **WASHINGTON** falsified a Georgia Department of Corrections Use of Force Supplement Report relating to a use of force against inmate C.V. by falsely reporting: "The minimum amount of force was used to gain positive control." This statement was false because, as **WASHINGTON** knew, he and his co-defendants had assaulted and injured C.V. without legal justification.

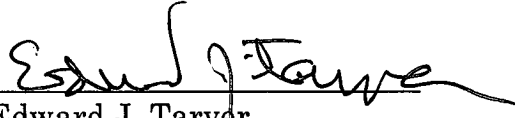
All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1519.

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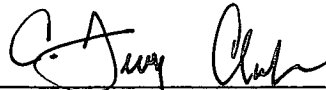
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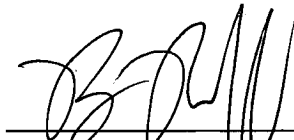
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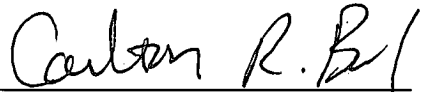
  
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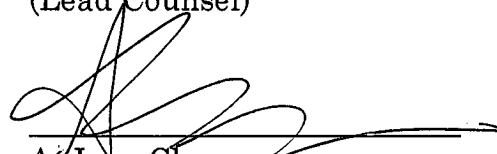
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