

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

Holding a Criminal Term

Grand Jury Sworn in on January 8, 2021

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	:	CRIMINAL NO.
	:	
v.	:	MAGISTRATE NO. 21-MJ-077
	:	MAGISTRATE NO. 21-MJ-057
JEFFREY SABOL,	:	GRAND JURY ORIGINAL
PETER FRANCIS STAGER, and	:	
MICHAEL JOHN LOPATIC SR.,	:	VIOLATIONS:
	:	18 U.S.C. § 1512(c)(2)
Defendants.	:	(Obstruction of an Official Proceeding)
	:	18 U.S.C. § 2
	:	(Aiding and Abetting)
	:	18 U.S.C. §§ 111(a)(1) and (b)
	:	(Assaulting, Resisting, or Impeding
	:	Certain Officers Using a Dangerous
	:	Weapon)
	:	18 U.S.C. § 111(a)(1)
	:	(Assaulting, Resisting, or Impeding
	:	Certain Officers)
	:	18 U.S.C. § 231(a)(3)
	:	(Civil Disorder)
	:	18 U.S.C. § 1752(a)(1) and (b)(1)(A)
	:	(Entering and Remaining in a Restricted
	:	Building or Grounds with a Deadly or
	:	Dangerous Weapon)
	:	18 U.S.C. § 1752(a)(2) and (b)(1)(A)
	:	(Disorderly and Disruptive Conduct in a
	:	Restricted Building or Grounds with a
	:	Deadly or Dangerous Weapon)
	:	18 U.S.C. § 1752(a)(4) and (b)(1)(A)
	:	(Engaging in Physical Violence in a
	:	Restricted Building or Grounds)
	:	18 U.S.C. § 1752(a)(1)
	:	(Entering and Remaining in a Restricted
	:	Building or Grounds)
	:	18 U.S.C. § 1752(a)(2)
	:	(Disorderly and Disruptive Conduct in a
	:	Restricted Building or Grounds)

- : 18 U.S.C. § 1752(a)(4)
- : (Engaging in Physical Violence in a
- : Restricted Building or Grounds)
- : 40 U.S.C. § 5104(e)(2)(F)
- : (Violent Entry and Disorderly Conduct in
- : a Capitol Building)

INDICTMENT

The Grand Jury charges that:

COUNT ONE

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia and elsewhere, **PETER FRANCIS STAGER**, attempted to, and did, corruptly obstruct, influence, and impede an official proceeding, that is, a proceeding before Congress, by entering and remaining on the Grounds of the U.S. Capitol Building without authority and committing an act of civil disorder.

(Obstruction of an Official Proceeding and Aiding and Abetting, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1512(c)(2) and 2)

COUNT TWO

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **JEFFREY SABOL** and **PETER FRANCIS STAGER**, using a deadly or dangerous weapon, that is, a baton and a flag pole, did forcibly assault, resist, oppose, impede, intimidate, and interfere with, an officer and employee of the United States, and of any branch of the United States Government (including any member of the uniformed services), and any person assisting such an officer and employee, that is, B.M. an officer from the Metropolitan Police Department, while such officer or employee was engaged in or on account of the performance of official duties.

(Assaulting, Resisting, or Impeding Certain Officers Using a Dangerous Weapon, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 111(a)(1) and (b))

COUNT THREE

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **JEFFREY SABOL**, did forcibly assault, resist, oppose, impede, intimidate, and interfere with, an officer and employee of the United States, and of any branch of the United States Government (including any member of the uniformed services), and any person assisting such an officer and employee, that is, A.W., an officer from the Metropolitan Police Department, while such person was engaged in and on account of the performance of official duties.

(Assaulting, Resisting, or Impeding Certain Officers, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 111(a)(1))

COUNT FOUR

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **MICHAEL JOHN LOPATIC SR.**, did forcibly assault, resist, oppose, impede, intimidate, and interfere with, an officer and employee of the United States, and of any branch of the United States Government (including any member of the uniformed services), and any person assisting such an officer and employee, that is, C.M., an officer from the Metropolitan Police Department, while such person was engaged in and on account of the performance of official duties.

(Assaulting, Resisting, or Impeding Certain Officers, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 111(a)(1))

COUNT FIVE

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **JEFFREY SABOL**, committed and attempted to commit an act to obstruct, impede, and interfere with a law enforcement officer, that is, A.W., an officer from the Metropolitan Police Department, lawfully engaged in the lawful performance of his/her official duties incident to and during the commission

of a civil disorder, and the civil disorder obstructed, delayed, and adversely affected the conduct and performance of a federally protected function.

(Civil Disorder, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 231(a)(3))

COUNT SIX

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **JEFFREY SABOL**, **PETER FRANCIS STAGER**, and **MICHAEL JOHN LOPATIC SR.**, committed and attempted to commit an act to obstruct, impede, and interfere with a law enforcement officer, that is, B.M., an officer from the Metropolitan Police Department, lawfully engaged in the lawful performance of his/her official duties incident to and during the commission of a civil disorder, and the civil disorder obstructed, delayed, and adversely affected the conduct and performance of a federally protected function.

(Civil Disorder, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 231(a)(3))

COUNT SEVEN

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **MICHAEL JOHN LOPATIC SR.**, committed and attempted to commit an act to obstruct, impede, and interfere with a law enforcement officer, that is, C.M., an officer from the Metropolitan Police Department, lawfully engaged in the lawful performance of his/her official duties incident to and during the commission of a civil disorder, and the civil disorder obstructed, delayed, and adversely affected the conduct and performance of a federally protected function.

(Civil Disorder, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 231(a)(3))

COUNT EIGHT

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **JEFFREY SABOL** and **PETER FRANCIS STAGER**, did unlawfully and knowingly enter and remain in a restricted building and grounds, that is, any posted, cordoned-off, or otherwise restricted area within the

United States Capitol and its grounds, where the Vice President and Vice President-elect were temporarily visiting, without lawful authority to do so, and, during and in relation to the offense, did use and carry a deadly and dangerous weapon, that is, a baton and flag pole.

(Entering and Remaining in a Restricted Building or Grounds with a Deadly or Dangerous Weapon, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1752(a)(1) and (b)(1)(A))

COUNT NINE

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **JEFFREY SABOL** and **PETER FRANCIS STAGER**, did knowingly, and with intent to impede and disrupt the orderly conduct of Government business and official functions, engage in disorderly and disruptive conduct in and within such proximity to, a restricted building and grounds, that is, any posted, cordoned-off, or otherwise restricted area within the United States Capitol and its grounds, where the Vice President and Vice President-elect were temporarily visiting, when and so that such conduct did in fact impede and disrupt the orderly conduct of Government business and official functions and, during and in relation to the offense, did use and carry a deadly and dangerous weapon, that is, a baton and flag pole.

(Disorderly and Disruptive Conduct in a Restricted Building or Grounds with a Deadly or Dangerous Weapon, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1752(a)(2) and (b)(1)(A))

COUNT TEN

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **JEFFREY SABOL** and **PETER FRANCIS STAGER**, did knowingly, engage in any act of physical violence against any person and property in a restricted building and grounds, that is, any posted, cordoned-off, or otherwise restricted area within the United States Capitol and its grounds, where the Vice President

and Vice President-elect were temporarily visiting and, during and in relation to the offense, did use and carry a deadly and dangerous weapon, that is, a baton and flag pole.

(Engaging in Physical Violence in a Restricted Building or Grounds with a Deadly or Dangerous Weapon, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1752(a)(4) and (b)(1)(A))

COUNT ELEVEN

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **MICHAEL JOHN LOPATIC SR.**, did unlawfully and knowingly enter and remain in a restricted building and grounds, that is, any posted, cordoned-off, or otherwise restricted area within the United States Capitol and its grounds, where the Vice President and Vice President-elect were temporarily visiting, without lawful authority to do so.

(Entering and Remaining in a Restricted Building or Grounds, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1752(a)(1))

COUNT TWELVE

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **MICHAEL JOHN LOPATIC SR.**, did knowingly, and with intent to impede and disrupt the orderly conduct of Government business and official functions, engage in disorderly and disruptive conduct in and within such proximity to, a restricted building and grounds, that is, any posted, cordoned-off, or otherwise restricted area within the United States Capitol and its grounds, where the Vice President and Vice President-elect were temporarily visiting, when and so that such conduct did in fact impede and disrupt the orderly conduct of Government business and official functions.

(Disorderly and Disruptive Conduct in a Restricted Building or Grounds, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1752(a)(2))

COUNT THIRTEEN

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **MICHAEL JOHN LOPATIC SR.**, did knowingly, engage in any act of physical violence against any person and property in a restricted building and grounds, that is, any posted, cordoned-off, or otherwise restricted area within the United States Capitol and its grounds, where the Vice President and Vice President-elect were temporarily visiting.

(Engaging in Physical Violence in a Restricted Building or Grounds, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1752(a)(4))

COUNT FOURTEEN

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **JEFFREY SABOL, PETER FRANCIS STAGER,** and **MICHAEL JOHN LOPATIC SR.**, willfully and knowingly engaged in an act of physical violence in the Grounds of the U.S. Capitol Building by assaulting Metropolitan Police Department officers stationed in the lower west terrace tunnel entryway to protect the U.S. Capitol Building.

(Violent Entry and Disorderly Conduct in a Capitol Building, in violation of Title 40, United States Code, Section 5104(e)(2)(F))

A TRUE BILL:

FOREPERSON.



Attorney of the United States in
and for the District of Columbia.