# 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. 21-CR-305 (JEB)

v.

SARA CARPENTER, : VIOLATIONS:

: 18 U.S.C. § 231(a)(3), 2

Defendant. (Civil Disorder)

: 18 U.S.C. §§ 1512(c)(2), 2

: (Obstruction of an Official Proceeding)

: 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)

: 40 U.S.C. § 5104(e)(2)(D)

: (Disorderly Conduct in a Capitol Building)

40 U.S.C. § 5104(e)(2)(E)

: (Impeding Passage Through the Capitol

: Grounds or Buildings): 40 U.S.C. § 5104(e)(2)(G)

: (Parading, Demonstrating, or Picketing in

: a Capitol Building)

## INDICTMENT

The Grand Jury charges that:

# **COUNT ONE**

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, SARA CARPENTER committed and attempted to commit an act to obstruct, impede, and interfere with a law enforcement officer 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 and Aiding and Abetting, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 231(a)(3) and 2)

## **COUNT TWO**

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia and elsewhere, SARA CARPENTER attempted to, and did, corruptly obstruct, influence, and impede an official proceeding, that is, a proceeding before Congress, specifically, Congress's certification of the Electoral College vote as set out in the Twelfth Amendment of the Constitution of the United States and 3 U.S.C. §§ 15-18.

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

#### **COUNT THREE**

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **SARA CARPENTER** did knowingly enter and remain in a restricted building and grounds, that is, any posted, cordoned-off, and 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 FOUR**

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, SARA CARPENTER 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, and 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 FIVE**

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, SARA CARPENTER willfully and knowingly engaged in disorderly and disruptive conduct within the United States Capitol Grounds and in any of the Capitol Buildings with the intent to impede, disrupt, and disturb the orderly conduct of a session of Congress and either House of Congress, and the orderly conduct in that building of a hearing before or any deliberation of, a committee of Congress or either House of Congress.

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

#### **COUNT SIX**

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **SARA CARPENTER** willfully and knowingly obstructed, and impeded passage through and within, the United States Capitol Grounds and any of the Capitol Buildings.

(Impeding Passage Through the Capitol Grounds or Buildings, in violation of Title 40, United States Code, Section 5104(e)(2)(E))

# **COUNT SEVEN**

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, SARA CARPENTER willfully and knowingly paraded, demonstrated, and picketed in any United States Capitol Building.

(Parading, Demonstrating, or Picketing in a Capitol Building, in violation of Title 40, United States Code, Section 5104(e)(2)(G))

A TRUE BILL:

FOREPERSON.

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