

Harrison County grand jury hands down indictments

The Harrison County grand jury handed down 20 indictments Tuesday, Dec. 17.

• Dustin Lee Fox, 18, was indicted for complicity to strangulation (first degree), complicity to assault (second degree) and two counts of unlawful transaction with a minor (second degree). The alleged incidents occurred Oct. 4.

Bail was set at \$20,000.

• Brandon Keith Gifford, 29, was indicted for possession of a controlled substance (first degree, second offense, methamphetamine) and possession of drug paraphernalia. The alleged offenses took place Nov. 26.

Bail was set at \$5,000.

• Metta Lenae Gross, 39, was indicted on two counts of wanton endangerment (first degree), criminal mischief (first degree) and two counts of menacing. The alleged events took place Dec. 8.

Bail was set at \$5,000.

• Thomas Jason Huff, 48, was indicted in two separate cases of bail jumping (first degree). Both of the alleged incidents occurred Dec. 3.

Bail was set at \$10,000 in both.

• Adam Ray Knipper, 40, was indicted for possession of a controlled substance (first degree, third or subsequent offense, methamphetamine) and possession of drug paraphernalia. The alleged offenses occurred Nov. 26.

Bail was set at \$5,000.

• Jamie Marie O'Connell, also known as Peaches O'Connell and Squirrel O'Connell, 36, was indicted for fleeing or evading police (second degree, pedestrian), tampering with physical evidence, possession of drug paraphernalia and persistent felony offender (first degree). The

alleged incidents took place Oct. 8.

Bail was set at \$20,000.

• Verna Sue Pettit, 51, was indicted in two separate cases.

The first indictment was for theft of identity, speeding 10 miles over the limit, failure to wear a seatbelt, failure of non-owner to maintain required insurance (first offense), failure to produce insurance card, no/expired registration plates, no registration receipt and no operator's license. The alleged incidents occurred Sept. 6.

Bail was set at \$5,000.

The second indictment for Pettit was for theft of identity, no operator's license, no/expired registration receipt, failure of non-owner to maintain required insurance (first offense) and failure to produce insurance card. The alleged incidents occurred Nov. 2.

Bail was set at \$5,000.

• Shrika Lashay Reed, 31, was indicted on two counts of assault (third degree), resisting arrest, assault (fourth degree, domestic violence, minor injury) and criminal mischief (first degree). The alleged incidents occurred Sept. 23.

Bail was set at \$5,000.

• Timothy Ray Roark, 18, was indicted for custodial interference and unlawful transaction with a minor (third degree). The alleged offenses took place between April 17 and May 26.

Bail was set at \$10,000.

• Craig Allen Roe, 36, was indicted for possession of a controlled substance (first degree, third or subsequent

offense, Fentanyl), possession of a controlled substance (first degree, third or subsequent offense, Heroin) and possession of drug paraphernalia. The alleged incidents took place Oct. 14.

Bail was set at \$7,500.

• Bobby Lee Smith, 47, was indicted for tampering with physical evidence, alleged to have occurred Dec. 12.

Bail was set at \$5,000.

• Gary Dean Smith, 38, was indicted for strangulation (first degree, domestic violence related), wanton endangerment (first degree) and assault (fourth degree, domestic violence-minor injury). The alleged incidents took place Nov. 2.

Bail was set at \$10,000.

• Joshua Michael Stone, 31, was indicted for assault (third degree), disorderly conduct (second degree) and resisting arrest. The alleged incidents took place Nov. 4.

Bail was set at \$5,000.

• Aiden O'Neal Whisman, 18, was indicted in two cases.

The first indictment was for assault (second degree, domestic violence), strangulation (first degree, domestic violence related)

and wanton endangerment (first degree). The alleged incidents occurred Nov. 11.

Bail was set at \$20,000.

The second indictment was for two counts of assault (third degree), criminal mischief (second degree), disorderly conduct (second degree), resisting arrest and criminal attempt to commit escape (second degree). The alleged incidents took place Nov. 20.

Bail was set at \$20,000.

• Jason Scott Woodall, 48, was indicted for possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. The alleged incident occurred Dec. 12.

Bail was set at \$5,000.

• Jessica Lee Custer, also known as Jessica Lee Barnett, 42, was indicted for possession of a controlled substance (first degree, third or subsequent offense, methamphetamine) and possession of drug paraphernalia. The alleged offenses took place Dec. 9.

Bail was set at \$5,000.

• Brandon Scott Cunningham, 29, was indicted for failure to comply with sex offender registry (first offense). The alleged offense occurred between Aug. 7, 2022 and Aug. 7, 2024.

Bail was set at \$10,000.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

Citations

Dec. 23 — Dep. Josh Puckett executed a bench warrant from the Nicholas County Circuit Court against Robert Mason for probation violation.

Dec. 21 — Dep. Ray Johnson served a criminal complaint summons from the Harrison County District Court to Courtney Miller for continued use of an on-site sewage disposal system not in compliance with regulations.

Dec. 21 — Dep. Ray Johnson served a criminal summons from the Harrison Circuit Court to Jeffrey Kiskaden for violating conditions of probation.

Dec. 23 — Dep. Ryan Rock served a bench warrant from the Magoffin County District court to Joseph Hensley for possession of buying/possessing drug paraphernalia; trafficking in a controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense; and possession of a controlled substance, 1st offense (cocaine).

Incidents

Dec. 19 — Melissa Justus and Brittany White filed harassment complaints at the Harrison County Sheriff's Office.

Dec. 19 — Timothy Singer reported that someone tried to open an account with Power Co. Credit Union in his name.

Accidents

Dec. 17 — Dep Josh Puckett responded to a single vehicle crash on New Lair Rd., 0.1 miles southeast of Cynthiana.

Dec. 19 — Dep. James Sexton responded to a single vehicle crash on Ky. 32 W, three miles west of Cynthiana.



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The Harrison County Board of Education will receive sealed bids to sell:

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Sealed bids will be received until bid opening time:

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1:00 PM EST**

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From 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.
Contact: Bill Blackburn,
Facilities Director Email:
bill.blackburn@harrison.ky.schools.us
Phone: (859)-234-7110

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Notice to Harrison County Taxpayers

The 2023 Independent Auditors report for the Harrison County Sheriff's Fee Collection is now complete. A copy of the complete audit report, including financial statements and supplemental information is on file at the Harrison County Sheriff's Office and is available for public inspection during normal business hours. Any citizen may obtain a copy of the complete audit report for personal use from the Harrison County Sheriff's Office. Any citizen requesting a personal copy of the audit report will be charged \$0.25 cents per page. Copies of the financial statement prepared in accordance with KRS 424.220 are available to the public at no cost at 113 W Pike Street, Cynthiana KY 41031



LEGAL NOTICE

SUMMARY OF PROCEDURES AND FINDINGS AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES OF THE HARRISON COUNTY SHERIFF

For The Period January 1, 2023 Through December 31, 2023
The Harrison County Sheriff applied for and received approval from the Auditor of Public Accounts (APA) to obtain an Agreed-Upon Procedures (AUP) engagement for calendar year 2023 in accordance with KRS 43.070(1)(c). AUP reports present the procedures performed and the results of those procedures, called findings. This summary is intended to present findings for which an exception (an instance of noncompliance with the criteria) was identified during the AUP engagement. However, no exceptions were identified in the AUP engagement of the Harrison County Sheriff.

A copy of this report is available on the Auditor of Public Accounts' website at auditor.ky.gov.

Respectfully submitted,
Allison Ball
Allison Ball
Auditor of Public Accounts
Frankfort, KY

May 22, 2024



LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Housing Authority of Cynthiana has developed its 5 Year Plan in compliance with the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998. It is available for review at the Authority's office located at 148 Federal Street, Cynthiana, KY 41031. A public hearing will be held on March 3, 2025 at 9:00 AM at the Housing Authority of Cynthiana offices.

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