

JUDGE MARY STALEY

GENERAL BILL OF INDICTMENT

RE: Warrant(s)  
14-WD-5669

NO. 143124  
COBB SUPERIOR COURT

WITNESSES:  
Det. Philip M. Stoddard,  
Cobb County Police Department

JULY/AUGUST TERM 2014

THE STATE OF GEORGIA

V.

JUSTIN ROSS HARRIS

- Ct. 1: Malice Murder
- Ct. 2: Felony Murder
- Ct. 3: Felony Murder

- Ct. 4: Cruelty to Children in the First Degree
- Ct. 5: Cruelty to Children in the Second Degree
- Ct. 6: Criminal Attempt to Commit a Felony, to wit: Sexual Exploitation of Children
- Ct. 7: Dissemination of Harmful Material to Minors
- Ct. 8: Dissemination of Harmful Material to Minors

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Cynthia M. Panullo  
Grand Jury Foreperson

Delivered in open Court by:  
Lise Riche  
Grand Jury Bailiff

REBECCA KEATON, Clerk, S. C.

D. VICTOR REYNOLDS,  
District Attorney, Cobb Judicial Circuit

The Defendant herein waives copy of indictment, list of witnesses, formal arraignment and pleads \_\_\_\_\_ Guilty.

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Defendant

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Attorney for Defendant

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STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF COBB  
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF SAID COUNTY

THE GRAND JURORS selected, chosen and sworn for the County of Cobb, to wit:

Linda L. Ahlers  
Erika Yvonne Anderson  
Marya F. Barnes  
Patricia Dennen Bazrod  
Kenneth Lee Bolton, Jr.  
Claudia M. Brown  
~~Jacob L. Clark, Alt. 2~~  
Carl Jerry Eison  
Dawn Chastaine Garrison  
Nancy Rebecca Harris  
Melanie Garrick Hill  
Heather Mylynda Holcomb

~~Mariah Danielle Hubbard, Alt. 1~~  
Jeffrey Scott Keeling  
Alvin Merritt McKenzie  
Gabriel Blake McLane  
James Oliver, Jr. – Asst. Foreperson  
Cynthia M. Pannullo - Foreperson  
Andrea Bolar Peacock – Clerk  
Barbara Ann Pflieger  
Mary Elizabeth Platt  
Janira Rocibel Rodriguez  
Jane Mintz Sanders  
Vivien Joyce Sanders  
D'Intre Lamont Smith

**COUNT 1**

The Grand Jurors, aforesaid, in the name and behalf of the citizens of Georgia, charge and accuse **JUSTIN ROSS HARRIS** with the offense of **MALICE MURDER, O.C.G.A. § 16-5-1**, for that the said accused person, in the County of Cobb and State of Georgia, **on or about the 18th day of June, 2014**, did unlawfully, and with malice aforethought, cause the death of Cooper Harris, a human being, by placing said Cooper Harris into a child car seat and leaving him alone in a hot motor vehicle, contrary to the laws of said State, the good order, peace and dignity thereof.

**COUNT 2**

and the Grand Jurors, aforesaid, in the name and behalf of the citizens of Georgia, further charge and accuse **JUSTIN ROSS HARRIS** with the offense of **FELONY MURDER, O.C.G.A. § 16-5-1**, for that the said accused person, in the County of Cobb and State of Georgia, **on or about the 18th day of June, 2014**, did commit the offense of murder when the accused caused the death of Cooper Harris, a human being, while in the commission of a felony, to wit: Cruelty To Children In The First Degree, O.C.G.A. § 16-5-70, did maliciously cause said Cooper Harris, a child under the age of eighteen (18) years, cruel and excessive physical pain by leaving said child alone in a hot motor vehicle, contrary to the laws of said State, the good order, peace and dignity thereof.

**COUNT 3**

and the Grand Jurors, aforesaid, in the name and behalf of the citizens of Georgia, further charge and accuse **JUSTIN ROSS HARRIS** with the offense of **FELONY MURDER, O.C.G.A. § 16-5-1**, for that the said accused person, in the County of Cobb and State of Georgia, **on or about the 18th day of June, 2014**, did commit the offense of murder when the accused caused the death of Cooper Harris, a human being, while in the commission of a felony, to wit: Cruelty To Children In The Second Degree, O.C.G.A. § 16-5-70, did, with criminal negligence, cause said Cooper Harris, a child under the age of eighteen (18) years, cruel and excessive physical pain by leaving said child alone in a hot motor vehicle, contrary to the laws of said State, the good order, peace and dignity thereof.

**COUNT 4**

and the Grand Jurors, aforesaid, in the name and behalf of the citizens of Georgia, further charge and accuse **JUSTIN ROSS HARRIS** with the offense of **CRUELTY TO CHILDREN IN THE FIRST DEGREE, O.C.G.A. § 16-5-70(b)**, for that the said accused person, in the County of Cobb and State of Georgia, **on or about the 18th day of June, 2014**, did maliciously cause Cooper Harris, a child under the age of eighteen (18) years, cruel and excessive physical pain by leaving said child alone in a hot motor vehicle, contrary to the laws of said State, the good order, peace and dignity thereof.

**COUNT 5**

and the Grand Jurors, aforesaid, in the name and behalf of the citizens of Georgia, further charge and accuse **JUSTIN ROSS HARRIS** with the offense of **CRUELTY TO CHILDREN IN THE SECOND DEGREE , O.C.G.A. § 16-5-70(c)**, for that the said accused person, in the County of Cobb and State of Georgia, **on or about the 18th day of June, 2014**, did, with criminal negligence, cause Cooper Harris, a child under the age of eighteen (18) years, cruel and excessive physical pain by leaving said child alone in a hot motor vehicle, contrary to the laws of said State, the good order, peace and dignity thereof.

**COUNT 6**

and the Grand Jurors, aforesaid, in the name and behalf of the citizens of Georgia, further charge and accuse **JUSTIN ROSS HARRIS** with the offense of **CRIMINAL ATTEMPT TO COMMIT A FELONY, O.C.G.A. § 16-4-1**, for that the said accused person, in the County of Cobb and State of Georgia, **between the 1st day of March, 2014, and the 18th day of June, 2014**, did knowingly and intentionally attempt to commit the crime of Sexual Exploitation of Children, in violation of Code Section O.C.G.A. § 16-12-100 of the Official Code of Georgia, in that the said accused did perform an act, to wit: the accused did request that [REDACTED] [REDACTED] a minor female under the age of eighteen (18) years, provide the accused with a photograph and visual medium involving the lewd exhibition of her genital and pubic area, an act which constitutes a substantial step toward the commission of said crime, contrary to the laws of said State, the good order, peace and dignity thereof.

**COUNT 7**

and the Grand Jurors, aforesaid, in the name and behalf of the citizens of Georgia, further charge and accuse **JUSTIN ROSS HARRIS** with the offense of **DISSEMINATION OF HARMFUL MATERIAL TO MINORS, O.C.G.A. § 16-12-103**, for that the said accused person, in the County of Cobb and State of Georgia, **between the 1st day of March, 2014, and the 11th day of June, 2014**, did knowingly disseminate and furnish to [REDACTED] a minor female under the age of eighteen (18) years, printed matter containing explicit and detailed verbal descriptions and narrative accounts of sexual excitement and sexual conduct, and which, taken as a whole, is harmful to minors, contrary to the laws of said State, the good order, peace and dignity thereof.

**COUNT 8**

and the Grand Jurors, aforesaid, in the name and behalf of the citizens of Georgia, further charge and accuse **JUSTIN ROSS HARRIS** with the offense of **DISSEMINATION OF HARMFUL MATERIAL TO MINORS, O.C.G.A. § 16-12-103**, for that the said accused person, in the County of Cobb and State of Georgia, **between the 6th day of March, 2014, and the 15th day of June, 2014**, did knowingly disseminate and furnish to [REDACTED] a minor female under the age of eighteen (18) years, a photograph and visual image of a portion of the human body which depicted sexually explicit nudity, to wit: a photograph and visual image of a male in a state of undress so as to expose the male's genitals, and of a depiction of uncovered male genitals in a discernibly turgid state, and which, taken as a whole, is harmful to minors, contrary to the laws of said State, the good order, peace and dignity thereof.

D. VICTOR REYNOLDS, District Attorney