

WARRANT OF ARREST - FELONY

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA Va. Code § 19.2-71, -72

Portsmouth General District Court Criminal Traffic
 Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court

CITY OR COUNTY

TO ANY AUTHORIZED OFFICER:

You are hereby commanded in the name of the Commonwealth of Virginia forthwith to arrest and bring the Accused before this Court to answer the charge that the Accused, within this city or county, on or about 06/10/2020 did unlawfully and feloniously in violation of Section

18.2-22/18.2-137

....., Code of Virginia: conspire to intentionally destroy, deface, or damage property belonging to another, with the value of, or damage to, such property being \$1,000.00 or more.

Sgt. McGee, K 2022 PPD
....., Complainant.

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DATE AND TIME ISSUED

Mandy L. Owens
 CLERK MAGISTRATE JUDGE
Mandy L. Owens

CASE NO.

ACCUSED:

Lucas, Lillie Louise

LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME

I. S. Eleanor Ct.

ADDRESS/LOCATION

Portsmouth, VA 23701

COMPLETE DATA BELOW IF KNOWN

RACE	SEX	BORN	HT.	WGT.	EYES	HAIR
B	F	MO. DAY YR.	FT. IN.			
SSN	[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]			
D.L.#	[REDACTED]		STATE			

Commercial Driver's License

CLASS U **FELONY**

EXECUTED by arresting the Accused named above on this day:

DATE AND TIME OF SERVICE

Arresting Officer

BADGE NO., AGENCY AND JURISDICTION

SHERIFF

Attorney for the Accused:

Short Offense Description (not a legal definition):
**MONUMENT: INTENTIONAL DAMAGE, VALUE >=\$1000
Conspiracy**

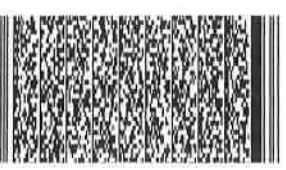
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18.2-137/18.2-18

Code of Virginia:

as a principal in the second degree, intentionally destroy, deface, or damage property belonging to another, with the value of, or damage to, such property being \$1,000.00 or more.

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LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME

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for _____ SHERIFF

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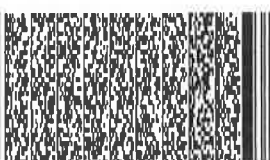
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CLERK

MAGISTRATE

JUDGE

Complainant.

I, the undersigned, have found probable cause to believe that the Accused committed the offense charged, based on the sworn statements of

Sgt. McGee, K 2022 PPD

Probable Cause Summary

Statement of Facts:

On June 10th, 2020 Portsmouth NAACP leaders James BOYD and Louie GIBBS were arrested for trespassing on the Confederate Monument [the monument] located at 400 Court St in the City of Portsmouth, VA. Following their arrest and subsequent release BOYD and GIBBS returned to the monument where they met with Portsmouth School Board member Lakeesha ATKINSON, Lakesha HICKS (Aka Onyx Kearney), Dana WORTHINGTON, Kimberly WIMBISH, Amira BETHEA, and others yet to be identified.

Senator L. Louise LUCAS arrived a short time later and met briefly with the group at the corner of Court St and High St.


Senator LUCAS then approached a group of police officers and told them she just talked to the Mayor and City Manager and said "they are going to put some paint on this thing, and y'all can't arrest them" while gesturing towards the monument. LUCAS continued by saying "they gonna do it, and you can't stop them... they got a right, go ahead!". PPD Sergeant Johnson informed Senator LUCAS that she could not tell people they can do that. LUCAS replied, "I'm not telling them to do anything, I'm telling you, you can't arrest them".

ATKINSON, who was carrying a backpack full of spray paint cans, BOYD, GIBBS, HICKS (holding, and shaking a can of spray paint), WORTHINGTON (holding and shaking a can of spray paint), WIMBISH (holding and shaking a can if spray paint), BETHEA (holding and shaking a can of spray paint), and others gathered in a small group. GIBBS told the group to "just take the cans out and shake them, that's intimidating them". BETHEA asked WIMBISH "is it a go?" because she (WIMBISH) was the one "that's been communicating with her" [meaning LUCAS] and WIMBISH said, "she said yes". BETHEA said "she's waiting for someone to come down here, that's why I'm asking".

WIMBISH was told by Senator LUCAS to "wait five minutes" for Lisa (Vice Mayor LUCAS-BURKE) and Shannon (Councilman GLOVER) and WIMBISH held up her hand with 5 fingers up to the group. LUCAS walked over and said of the delay "because Lisa and Shannon are on City Council and they both know that this is city property just like I do". Members of this group were also "livestreaming" on social media telling others "get down here, it's about to go down".

Once other elected officials arrived Vice Mayor LUCAS-BURKE addressed the group and tried to explain the process the City Council was taking to have the monument legally and safely removed after July 1st when the state law was slated to change to make it legal to do so. Vice Mayor LUCAS-BURKE also explained that the monument was city property.

Senator LUCAS then proceeded to announce loudly "The city has had 3 years to cover it" and gesturing to the group gathered yelled "let them cover it!". The group gathered with her were shaking up cans of spray paint and shouting "cover it!". Someone in the group yelled "y'all


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heard her! go, cover it!" at which time people began climbing the protective fence (which was posted with a no trespassing sign), and began spray painting the monument.

While the monument was being painted by a number of people Senator LUCAS asked BOYD if they had enough "cover" and he said they were going to buy some more and "we are going to put Black Lives Matter probably around the front of it". Senator LUCAS told him "I just wanted to come down here and make sure nobody else got arrested". BOYD told her "you know jail ain't nothing but a thing" and Senator LUCAS replied "ain't nothing but another thing to put on a piece of paper."

No state or local elected official, or any other person or entity had any legal authority to direct or allow any citizen to go upon, damage, or deface the monument and neither the City Manager or Mayor told Senator LUCAS anyone had permission to paint, damage, or otherwise alter the monument which is subject to Virginia Codes 18.2-137 and 15.2-1812.

HICKS, WIMBISH, WORTHINGTON, and BETHEA, along with others who have not yet been identified all climbed over the fence around the monument and spray painted it in several places causing extensive damage.

They were joined by Portsmouth Public Defenders Office Attorney Brenda SPRY, Attorney Alexandra STEPHENS, and Attorney Meredith CRAMER who also painted the monument in multiple places also causing extensive damage.

Over the next several hours dozens more people arrived and spray painted the monument. They also dumped buckets of paint on it and defaced the bronze statues with hammers and other objects. They eventually broke pieces of the statues off and ultimately pulled one of them down which struck a man and caused a life-threatening injury.

The following individuals have so far been identified as some of those who caused extensive damage:

Hanah RIVERA, who used tools to hammer on the monument and was involved in toppling one of the statues which landed on the victim.

Raymond BROTHERS, who was involved in painting the monument and assisted others climbing on the monument and handed them tools to cause damage and also removed a stone and metal marker which was smashed on the street.

Brendan WOODARD, who painted the monument and statues.

The monument was built in 1876 and is constructed of granite and four bronze statues. The amount of damage caused to the monument is estimated to be well over \$100,000. The statues themselves were damaged extensively, possibly beyond repair and there were gallons of paint covering the bronze statues and granite structure.

In 2005 the monument was vandalized with spray paint limited to the faces of the four bronze statues. Clean up cost for that incident, which is insignificant in comparison to the damage done


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in this case, was approximately \$43,000. The offender in that case was ordered by the Portsmouth Circuit Court to pay \$14,741 in restitution to the City of Portsmouth who at that time was found to be the owner. The City of Portsmouth was also listed as the owner of the monument in 1997 when it was added to the National Register of Historic Places.

I was present June 10th, 2020 and observed most of the incident firsthand and at least one witness provided information to the Portsmouth Police Department. I also reviewed multiple police body cameras and viewed numerous videos of the event posted to social media.

Based upon the investigation by the PPD warrants are being sought for the following individuals: