

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, MERCER COUNTY, OHIO

STATE OF OHIO,

CASE NO. 25-CRM-104

Plaintiff

VS.

INDICTMENT

JOSEPH S. HOPSON

DOB: 3/29/1986

SSN: XXX-XX-3504

Defendant.

On the term Second Term July 24, 2025

Count One **Safecracking - F4**

§2911.31(A), 2911.31(B)

Date of Offense On or about May 26, 2025

The Jurors of the Grand Jury of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of Mercer County, IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF Ohio, do find and present, that Joseph S. Hopson, on or about May 26, 2025 in Mercer County, Ohio unlawfully with the purpose to commit an offense, did knowingly enter, force an entrance into, or tamper with a vault, safe, or strongbox.

The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

Count Two **Theft - F5**

§2913.02(A)(3), 2913.02(B)(2)

Date of Offense On or about May 26, 2025

The Grand Jurors do further find and present:

did with purpose to deprive the owner, Victim # 1, of property or services, to wit: \$3577.30 in U.S. Currency, knowingly obtain or exert control over either the property or services by deception.

FURTHERMORE, the property or services stolen is valued at one thousand dollars or more and less than seven thousand five hundred dollars.

The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

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Count Three

Falsification - M1

§2921.13(A)(3), 2921.13(F)(1)

Date of Offense

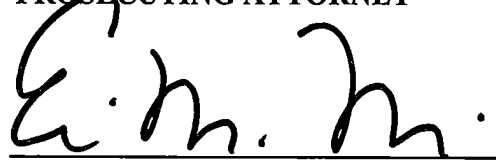
On or about May 26, 2025

The Grand Jurors do further find and present:

did knowingly make a false statement, or knowingly swear or affirm the truth of a false statement previously made, when the statement was made with purpose to mislead a public official in performing the public official's official function.

The offense is contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

ERIN M. MINOR
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SUMMARY OF INDICTMENT

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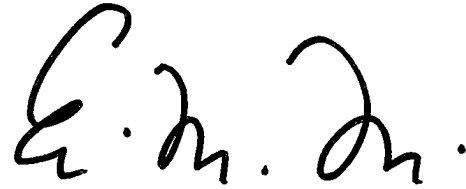
Indictment for:

Count 1: Safecracking, O.R.C. §2911.31(A), 2911.31(B), F4
Count 2: Theft, O.R.C. §2913.02(A)(3), 2913.02(B)(2), F5
Count 3: Falsification, O.R.C. §2921.13(A)(3), 2921.13(F)(1), M1

A TRUE BILL

Tammie R Hiser

Foreperson of the Grand Jury



Prosecutor or by her Assistant

This Bill of Indictment found upon
testimony Sworn and sent before the Grand
Jury at the Request of the Prosecuting
Attorney.


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The State of Ohio, Mercer County.

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas in and for said County, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the original indictment, with the endorsements thereon, now on file in my office.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of said Court, at Mercer County, Ohio on this ____ day of _____, _____.

Calvin Freeman, Clerk
By: Deputy Clerk

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