

CHEROKEE COUNTY

STATE OF GEORGIA

GRAND JURY PRESENTMENTS

**TO: The Honorable N. Jackson Harris
Chief Judge, Superior Court
Cherokee County, Georgia**

**The Honorable Ellen McElyea
Judge, Superior Court
Cherokee County, Georgia**

**The Honorable David L. Cannon, Jr.
Judge, Superior Court
Cherokee County, Georgia**

We, the members of this Grand Jury, chosen and sworn to serve the September 2013 term of the Superior Court of Cherokee County, hereby submit the following report and recommendations.

We, the September 2013 Grand Jury, heard 206 bills of indictment, returned 205 true bills and 1 no bill.

PRESENTMENT 1

We, the September 2013 Grand Jury, commend Superior Court Chief Bailiff Jane Johnson, Bailiff Johnny Champion and Bailiff Fay McCurry and all bailiffs for their diligent assistance in arranging materials for Grand Jury proceedings, managing the schedule for cases to be presented, coordinating Grand Jury payroll, and ensuring that proceedings run smoothly.

PRESENTMENT 2

We, the September 2013 Grand Jury, recommend pay for Petit (Traverse) Jurors, Grand Jurors and bailiffs be maintained at its current level.

PRESENTMENT 3

We, the September 2013, Grand Jury commend District Attorney Shannon Wallace, each of her Assistant District Attorneys and staff members, each law enforcement officer and investigator associated with the cases brought before this Grand Jury for their professionalism and hard work.

PRESENTMENT 4

We, the September 2013 Grand Jury, sincerely express thanks to the Honorable Judge Ellen McElyea for her professional and informative empanelment and orientation of this Grand Jury.

PRESENTMENT 5

We, the September 2013 Grand Jury, express thanks to Jessica Moss, Solicitor General for Cherokee County, for taking time out of her busy schedule to educate the Grand Jury about the Solicitor General's office and the crimes prosecuted in that office.

PRESENTMENT 6

We, the September 2013 Grand Jury, sincerely express our appreciation to Linda Banik and the staff of the Anna Crawford Children's Center for their tireless efforts in serving and protecting at risk and victimized children in our community. Through the presentation by Linda Banik, we learned that Cherokee County is at the forefront of child abuse investigations and prevention resources provided to children and parents in the State of Georgia through the Center. Anna Crawford Children's Center is a non-profit organization that provides forensic interviews for children suspected of being physically or sexually abused and also provides treatment services to these children and their families at no cost to the families. The Center is funded by grants and donations and not by the Cherokee County tax payers. The Center offers training programs, such as Darkness to Light, which helps parents and other individuals that care for children to recognize the signs of child abuse, and provides training for forensic interviewers from around the State of Georgia through their "Child First Georgia" program. More information about the Center can be obtained by visiting their website at <http://cherokeechildadvocates.org>.

PRESENTMENT 7

We, the September 2013, Grand Jury sincerely express our thanks to Michael T. Parker, Investigator for the Cherokee County District Attorney's Office and former CMANS Agent, for his informative presentation about the Cherokee Multi-Agency Narcotics Squad. All Cherokee County citizens are encouraged to be proactive about drug related activity. Any citizen that is concerned about drug related activity in his or her area can send CMANS an anonymous tip by going to www.cmans.org/news/tips-contact or by calling the anonymous tip line at 770-345-7920.

PRESENTMENT 8

We, the September 2013 Grand Jury sincerely express our appreciation to Cherokee County Sheriff Roger Garrison, Captain Karen Johnson, and Renee Cornelison for hosting an informative tour of the Cherokee County Adult Detention Center and the 911 facility. The facilities were found to be well-built and effectively managed.

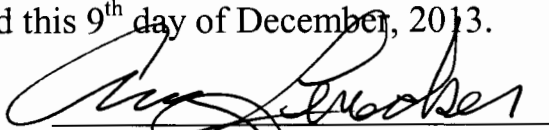
PRESENTMENT 9

We, the September 2013 Grand Jury, sincerely express our appreciation to Sgt. Ronnie Reece for his professional and informative tour and explanation of the day to day operations of the Cherokee County Justice Center.

PRESENTMENT 10

We, the September 2013 Grand Jury, received the forensic audit from the District Attorney that was conducted by McClendon and Associates regarding Ball Ground Recycling. It is the recommendation of this Grand Jury that law enforcement complete their entire investigation before any future Grand Jury further reviews this matter.

Respectfully submitted this 9th day of December, 2013.



Amy Lenocker
Grand Jury Foreman

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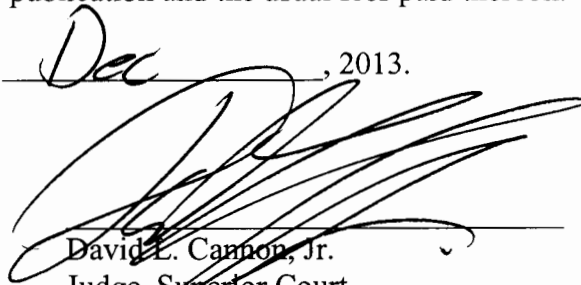
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ORDER

It is ordered that the within and foregoing Grand Jury Presentments having been read and considered, the same be filed.

It is further ordered that a copy of the Presentments along with a copy of this Order be sent to the Cherokee Tribune for publication and the usual fees paid thereon.

This the 10 day of Dec, 2013.

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David L. Cannon, Jr.', is written over a horizontal line.

David L. Cannon, Jr.
Judge, Superior Court
Blue Ridge Judicial Circuit