

CHEROKEE COUNTY**STATE OF GEORGIA****GRAND JURY PRESENTMENTS****TO:**

**The Honorable Frank C. Mills, III
Chief Judge, Superior Court
Cherokee County, Georgia**

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

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

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We, the members of this Grand Jury, chosen and sworn to serve the May 2008 term of the Superior Court of Cherokee County, hereby submit the following report and recommendations.

We, the May 2008 Grand Jury, heard 296 bill of indictments, returned 294 true bills and 2 no bills. This volume of bill of indictments was significantly less than the January 2008 Grand Jury volume of 342 and the September 2007 Grand Jury volume of 402 and was easily and effectively handled.

PRESENTMENT 1

We, the May 2008 Grand Jury, would like to commend Superior Court Bailiff Jane Johnson for her assistance in arranging the material for the Grand Jury, managing the schedule of cases to be presented, coordinating the Grand Jury payroll, and helping the Grand Jury to run as smoothly as possible. We thank Jane for her friendliness and support of this Grand Jury.

PRESENTMENT 2

The May 2008 Grand Jury gratefully appreciates District Attorney Garry Moss and the other Assistant District Attorneys, the staff members and all of the law enforcement personnel who submitted indictments to the Grand Jury. We especially thank District Attorney Moss for always being available to provide appropriate instructions and to answer the Grand Jury's questions.

PRESENTMENT 3

The May 2008 Grand Jury wishes to thank Sheriff Roger Garrison, Captain Karen Johnson and the staff of the Sheriff's Office for hosting an informative tour. The County Detention Center was found to be clean and effectively managed. We commend Captain Johnson and Sheriff Garrison for having our jail under their control.

PRESENTMENT 4

The May 2008 Grand Jury commends the office of Homeland Security for the tour of the OHS-EMA center. We also commend our 911 center and thank Renay Cornelison for their tour of the facility.

PRESENTMENT 5

The May 2008 Grand Jury commends the C-Mans members and staff for the work concerning drug enforcement in the county and their briefing, testimonies and service. We strongly recommend that all municipalities in Cherokee County continue to stand with and support their work.

PRESENTMENT 6

The May 2008 Grand Jury would like to thank Cherokee County School Police for their review of the law enforcement challenges in this environment. Particular emphasis and discussions were placed on drug use and gang activity in the schools. We encourage the next Grand Jury to investigate opportunities to optimize and expand the use of trained canines for drug enforcement activities.

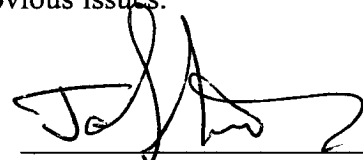
PRESENTMENT 7

We, the May 2008 Grand Jury reviewed with the Cherokee County Water and Sewer Authority the process to appoint qualified board members to the CCWSA and the financial aspects for rate increases. No particular issues were found. We also sampled fifteen years of Cherokee County Water and Sewer Authority financial data and found no obvious issues.

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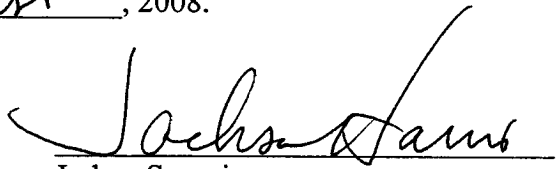
ORDER

The within and foregoing Grand Jury Presentments having read and considered, let the same be filed.

Let a copy of these Presentments, along with a copy of this Order; be sent to the Cherokee Tribune for publication and the usual fees paid thereon.

It is further ordered that the Clerk of Superior Court, Cherokee County, Georgia mail a copy of these presentments to each legislator who represents Cherokee County, and to each Cherokee County Commissioner.

This the 22 day of August, 2008.



Judge, Superior
Blue Ridge Judicial Circuit