

The State of Ohio,  
Franklin County } ss.

**INDICTMENT FOR: Making Terroristic Threat (ORC 2909.23) (F3) (2 Counts); Tampering With Evidence (ORC 2921.12) (F3) (1 Count); Illegally Manufacturing or Possessing Explosives (ORC 2923.17) (F2) (1 Count); Unlawful Possession of Dangerous Ordnance (ORC 2923.17) (F5) (1 Count). Total: 5 Counts.**

**Grand Jury Term**

**INTRODUCTION AND COURSE OF CONDUCT FINDINGS**

The Franklin County Common Pleas Court has jurisdiction over crimes and offenses committed in Franklin County, Ohio. The Grand Jury finds and presents, pursuant to Sections 2901.11 and 2901.12 of the Ohio Revised Code, that the offenses alleged in Counts 1 through 5, are part of a course of criminal conduct between December 16, 2021 and April 7, 2022, for which the course of conduct took place in multiple counties including Franklin County and Morgan County. Further, the course of conduct involves victims of the same type or from the same group; the offenses were committed by the offender in the offender’s same employment, or capacity, or relationship to another; the offenses were committed as part of the same transaction or chain of events, or in furtherance of the same purpose or objective; the offenses were committed in furtherance of the same conspiracy; the offenses involved the same or a similar modus operandi; or, the offenses were committed along the offender’s line of travel in this state, regardless of the offender’s point of origin or destination, to wit: the defendant(s) traveled from Franklin County, Ohio, to Morgan County, Ohio, to destroy evidence in Morgan County, Ohio.

Beginning January 14, 2022

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**Count One**            **Making Terroristic Threat, §2909.23, F3**  
**Defendants**            James Ronald Meade AKA James Ricky Meade, Thomas Monroe Develin  
**Date of Offense**    On or about December 16, 2021 to April 7, 2022

The Jurors of the Grand Jury of the State of Ohio, duly selected, impaneled, sworn and charged to inquire of crimes and offenses committed within the body of Franklin County, in the State of Ohio, upon their oath do find and present that James Ronald Meade, Thomas Monroe Develin late of said County, on or about December 16, 2021 to April 7, 2022, within the County of Franklin aforesaid, in violation of section 2909.23 of the Ohio Revised Code, did threaten to commit or threaten to cause to be committed Felonious Assault R.C. 2903.11 and/or Terrorism R.C. 2909.24 and the person made the threat with purpose to intimidate or coerce a civilian population and as a result of the threat, the person caused a reasonable expectation or fear of the imminent commission of Felonious Assault R.C. 2903.11 and/or Terrorism R.C. 2909.24.

**Count Two**            **Making Terroristic Threat, §2909.23, F3**  
**Defendants**            Thomas Monroe Develin  
**Date of Offense**    On or about January 28, 2022 to April 7, 2022

The Jurors of the Grand Jury of the State of Ohio, duly selected, impaneled, sworn and charged to

inquire of crimes and offenses committed within the body of Franklin County, in the State of Ohio, upon their oath do find and present that Thomas Monroe Develin late of said County, on or about January 28, 2022 to April 7, 2022, within the County of Franklin aforesaid, in violation of section 2909.23 of the Ohio Revised Code, did threaten to commit or threaten to cause to be committed Felonious Assault R.C. 2903.11 and the person made the threat with purpose to intimidate or coerce a civilian population and as a result of the threat, the person caused a reasonable expectation or fear of the imminent commission of Felonious Assault R.C. 2903.11.

**Count Three Tampering With Evidence, §2921.12, F3**

**Defendants** James Ronald Meade AKA James Ricky Meade, Thomas Monroe Develin

**Date of Offense** On or about March 28, 2022 to March 29, 2022

The Jurors of the Grand Jury of the State of Ohio, duly selected, impaneled, sworn and charged to inquire of crimes and offenses committed within the body of Franklin County, in the State of Ohio, upon their oath do find and present that James Ronald Meade AKA James Ricky Meade, Thomas Monroe Develin late of said County, on or about March 28, 2022 to March 29, 2022, within the County of Morgan, as part of a course of criminal conduct occurring in Morgan and Franklin Counties, in which the offenses involved were committed as part of the same transaction or chain of events or in furtherance of the same purpose or objective and/or were of the same or similar modus operandi, in violation of section 2921.12 of the Ohio Revised Code, did, knowing that an official proceeding or investigation was in progress, or was about to be or likely to be instituted, alter, destroy, conceal, or remove any record, document, or thing, with purpose to impair its value or availability as evidence in such proceeding or investigation.

**Count Four Illegally Manufacturing or Possessing Explosives, §2923.17, F2**

**Defendants** Thomas Monroe Develin

**Date of Offense** On or about March 31, 2022

The Jurors of the Grand Jury of the State of Ohio, duly selected, impaneled, sworn and charged to inquire of crimes and offenses committed within the body of Franklin County, in the State of Ohio, upon their oath do find and present that Thomas Monroe Develin late of said County, on or about March 31, 2022, within the County of Franklin aforesaid, in violation of section 2923.17 of the Ohio Revised Code, did manufacture or process an explosive at any location in this state.

**Count Five Unlawful Possession of Dangerous Ordnance, §2923.17, F5**

**Defendants** Thomas Monroe Develin

**Date of Offense** On or about March 31, 2022

The Jurors of the Grand Jury of the State of Ohio, duly selected, impaneled, sworn and charged to inquire of crimes and offenses committed within the body of Franklin County, in the State of Ohio, upon their oath do find and present that Thomas Monroe Develin late of said County, on or about March 31, 2022, within the County of Franklin aforesaid, in violation of section 2923.17 of the Ohio Revised Code, did knowingly acquire, have, carry, or use any dangerous ordnance, to wit: an

explosive device.

All of the above conduct being contrary to the form of the statute in such cases made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

G. Gary Tyack  
Prosecuting Attorney  
Franklin County, Ohio

**A TRUE BILL**



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Cory D. Helffrich, 0090565  
Assistant Prosecuting Attorney



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Foreperson, Grand Jury

**The following is information for the Clerk of Courts only**

State of Ohio v. James Ronald Meade AKA JAMES RICKY MEADE

Address: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED]

Sex/Race: Male/White

Date of Arrest: 4/6/2022

SSN: 235-43-4943

Police Agency: Columbus Police Department

Municipal Reference: 22CRA 4323

ITN #: 218853DA

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Count 3: Tampering With Evidence §2921.12, F3

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**The following is information for the Clerk of Courts only**

State of Ohio v. Thomas Monroe Develin

Address: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED]

Sex/Race: Male/White

Date of Arrest: 3/31/2022

SSN: 285-02-9109

Police Agency: Columbus Police Department

Municipal Reference: 22CRA 4321

ITN #: 218772DA

Count 1: Making Terroristic Threat §2909.23, F3

Count 2: Making Terroristic Threat §2909.23, F3

Count 3: Tampering With Evidence §2921.12, F3

Count 4: Illegally Manufacturing or Possessing Explosives §2923.17, F2

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