

**STATE OF KANSAS,)
PLAINTIFF)**

CASE NO. _____

JAMES CORNELL HAMILTON,)
DEFENDANT)

I, Reina Probert, the undersigned Crawford County Attorney, in the name and by the authority and on behalf of the State of Kansas, for Information against the above-named Defendant, **James Cornell Hamilton**, come now here and give to the Court to understand and be informed and do give the Court the following information:

COUNT 1. That on or about the 13th day of May, 2022, in Crawford County, Kansas, James Cornell Hamilton, then and there being present did unlawfully and feloniously kill a human being, to wit: Stephanie Marie Short, during the commission of, attempt to commit, or flight from the commission of an inherently dangerous felony, to wit: a felony offense as provided in K.S.A. 21-6308(a) or (b) and amendments thereto, to-wit: discharging a firearm into a dwelling. In violation of K.S.A. 21-5402, First Degree Murder, an off-grid person felony.

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intentionally commit an overt act to wit: shooting a handgun, against Michelle Whitter, toward the perpetration of the crime of Murder in the First Degree as defined by K.S.A. 21-5402(a), with the intent to commit the crime but failed in the perpetration thereof or was prevented or intercepted in executing said crime, contrary to K.S.A. 21-3301 and 21-5402(a), Attempted Murder in the First Degree, a severity level 1 person felony.

COUNT 3. That on or about the 13th day of May, 2022, in Crawford County, Kansas, James Cornell Hamilton, then and there being present did unlawfully, feloniously and recklessly cause great bodily harm or disfigurement to another person, to wit: Velma Marie Cubie. In violation of K.S.A. 21-5413(b)(2)(A)(g)(2)(C), Aggravated Battery, a severity level 5 person felony.

COUNT 4. That on or about the 13th day of May, 2022, in Crawford County, Kansas, James Cornell Hamilton, then and there being present did unlawfully, feloniously, and knowingly place Dominik Samuel Short in reasonable apprehension of immediate bodily harm with a deadly weapon, to wit: a handgun. In violation of K.S.A. 21-5412(b)(1)(e)(2), Aggravated Assault, a severity level 7 person felony.

COUNT 5. That on or about the 13th day of May, 2022, in Crawford County, Kansas, James Cornell Hamilton, then and there being present did unlawfully, feloniously, and knowingly place Travis Cordell Westbrook in reasonable apprehension of immediate bodily harm with a deadly weapon, to wit: a handgun. In violation of K.S.A. 21-5412(b)(1)(e)(2), Aggravated Assault, a severity level 7 person felony.

COUNT 6. That on or about the 13th day of May, 2022, in Crawford County, Kansas, James Cornell Hamilton, then and there being present did unlawfully, feloniously, recklessly and without authorization, discharge a firearm at an occupied dwelling located at 105 W 23rd, Pittsburg, belonging to Michelle A Whitter, whether the defendant knew or had reason to know that there was a human being present. In violation of K.S.A. 21-6308(a)(1)(A) & (b)(1)(A), Criminal Discharge of a Firearm at an Occupied Building, a severity level 7 person felony.

COUNT 7. That on or about the 13th day of May, 2022, in Crawford County, Kansas, James Cornell Hamilton, then and there being present did unlawfully, feloniously, recklessly and without authorization, discharge a firearm at an occupied dwelling located at 109 W 23rd, Pittsburg, belonging to Stephanie Marie Short, whether the defendant knew or had reason to know that there was a human being present. In violation of K.S.A. 21-6308(a)(1)(A) & (b)(1)(A), Criminal Discharge of a Firearm at an Occupied Building, a severity level 7 person felony.

COUNT 8. That on or about the 13th day of May, 2022, in Crawford County, Kansas, James Cornell Hamilton, then and there being present did unlawfully, feloniously, recklessly and without authorization, discharge a firearm at an occupied dwelling located at 113 W 23rd, Pittsburg, belonging to Steven McArthur Taylor Jr, whether the defendant knew or had reason to know that there was a human being present. In violation of K.S.A. 21-6308(a)(1)(A) & (b)(1)(A), Criminal Discharge of a Firearm at an Occupied Building, a severity level 7 person felony.

/s/ Reina Probert
Reina Probert #15104

STATE OF KANSAS)
)SS:
CRAWFORD COUNTY)

I, Reina Probert, being of lawful age, duly sworn on oath, say that I am the Crawford County Attorney, in the State of Kansas and that I am informed and verily believe that the facts and allegations set forth in the within information are true, so help me God.

/s/ Reina Probert
Reina Probert

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Reina Probert this 17th day of May, 2022.

/s/ Aimee Senecaut
NOTARY PUBLIC

My Appointment Expires: November 17, 2023

ENDORSEMENT OF WITNESSES:

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