
INDICTMENT

Clerk No. 2026CR.804

LOWNDES COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

THE STATE OF GEORGIA	1	VIOLATION OF THE GANG ACT, O.C.G.A. § 16-15-4(A)
V.		
LAVERNOUS ARNOLD	2	VIOLATION OF THE GANG ACT, O.C.G.A. § 16-15-4(B)
A.K.A. GUNNA	3	VIOLATION OF THE GANG ACT, O.C.G.A. § 16-15-4(A)
	4	VIOLATION OF THE GANG ACT, O.C.G.A. § 16-15-4(B)
	5.	MALLICE MURDER, O.C.G.A. § 16-5-1
	6	FELONY MURDER, O.C.G.A. § 16-5-1
	7	FELONY MURDER, O.C.G.A. § 16-5-1
	8	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT, O.C.G.A. § 16-5-21
	9	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT, O.C.G.A. § 16-5-21
	10	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT, O.C.G.A. § 16-5-21
	11	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT, O.C.G.A. § 16-5-21
	12	POSSESSION OF A FIREARM BY A FIRST OFFENDER PROBATIONER, O.C.G.A. § 16-11-131(B)

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August 27, 2026


Grand Jury Foreperson

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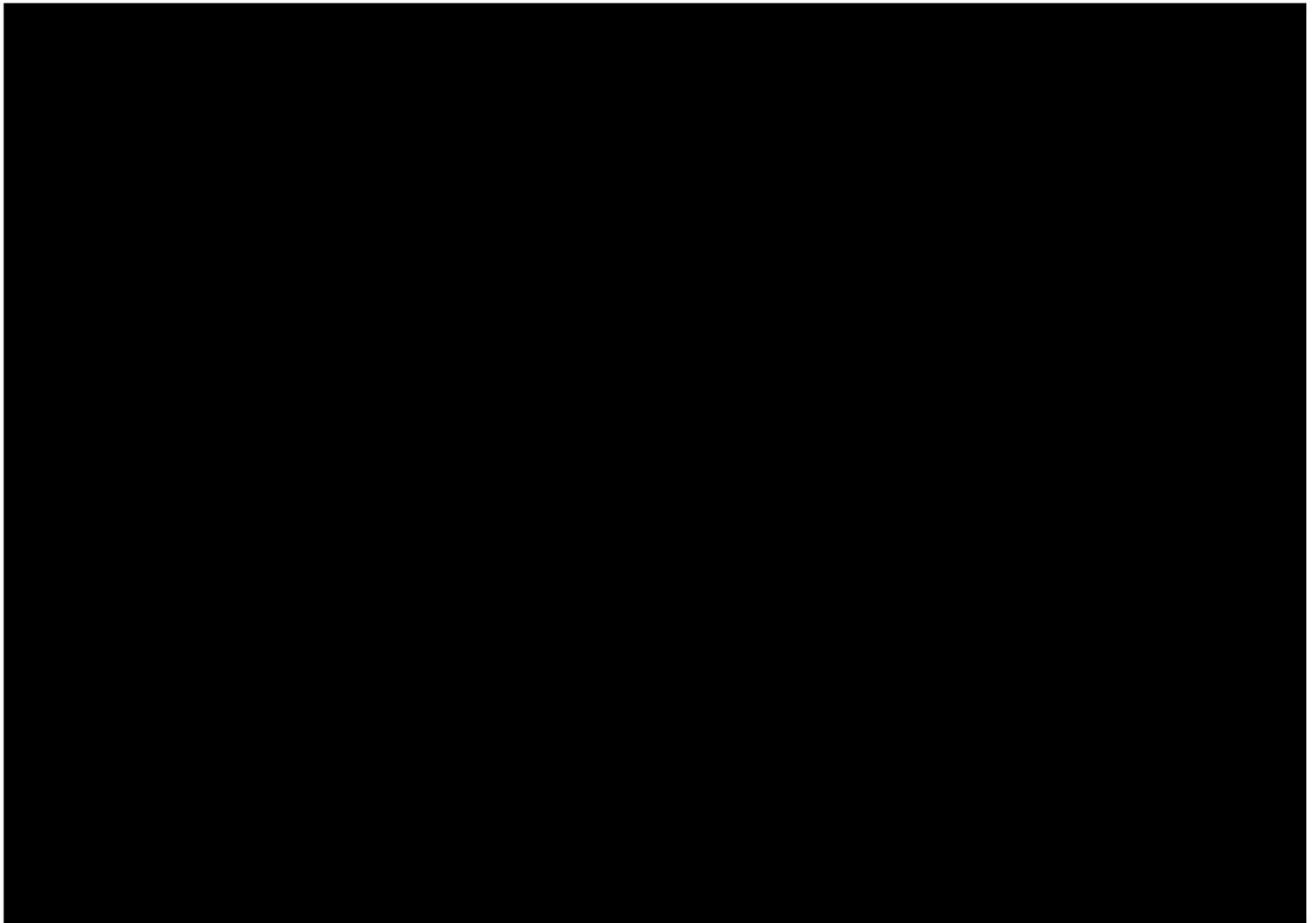
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STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF LOWNDES

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF SAID COUNTY

THE GRAND JURORS, selected, chosen and sworn for the County of LOWNDES,
to wit:



COUNT 1

The Grand Jurors aforesaid, in the name of and on behalf of the citizens of Georgia, do charge and accuse:

**LAVERNOUS ARNOLD
A.K.A. GUNNA**

with the offense of **VIOLATION OF STREET GANG TERRORISM AND PREVENTION ACT (O.C.G.A. § 16-15-4(a))**, for that the said accused in the County of Lowndes and the State of Georgia, on or about the 5th day of July, 2025, being associated with Sex Money Murder, a criminal street gang, did unlawfully participate in criminal gang activity through the commission of the offenses of Malice Murder, as set forth and described in Count 5 of this Indictment, and felony murder, as set forth and described in Counts 6 and 7 of this Indictment, contrary to the laws of said State, the good order, peace and dignity thereof;

COUNT 2

The Grand Jurors aforesaid, in the name of and on behalf of the citizens of Georgia, do charge and accuse:

**LAVERNOUS ARNOLD
A.K.A. GUNNA**

with the offense of **VIOLATION OF STREET GANG TERRORISM AND PREVENTION ACT (O.C.G.A. § 16-15-4(b))**, for that the said accused in the County of Lowndes and the State of Georgia, on or about the 5th day of July, 2025, being associated with Sex Money Murder, a criminal street gang, did unlawfully participate in criminal gang activity through the commission of the offenses of malice murder, as set forth and described in Count 5 of this Indictment, and felony murder, as set forth and described in Counts 6 and 7 of this Indictment, with the intent to maintain and increase his status in said gang, contrary to the laws of said State, the good order, peace and dignity thereof;

COUNT 3

The Grand Jurors aforesaid, in the name of and on behalf of the citizens of Georgia, do charge and accuse:

**LAVERNOUS ARNOLD
A.K.A. GUNNA**

with the offense of **VIOLATION OF STREET GANG TERRORISM AND PREVENTION ACT (O.C.G.A. § 16-15-4(a))**, for that the said accused in the County of Lowndes and the State of Georgia, on or about the 5th day of July, 2025, being associated with Sex Money Murder, a criminal street gang, did unlawfully participate in criminal gang activity through the commission of the offense of aggravated assault, as set forth and described in Counts 8 through 11 of this Indictment, and possession of a firearm by a first offender probationer, as set forth and described in Count 12 of this indictment, contrary to the laws of said State, the good order, peace and dignity thereof;

COUNT 4

The Grand Jurors aforesaid, in the name of and on behalf of the citizens of Georgia, do charge and accuse:

**LAVERNOUS ARNOLD
A.K.A. GUNNA**

with the offense of **VIOLATION OF STREET GANG TERRORISM AND PREVENTION ACT (O.C.G.A. § 16-15-4(b))**, for that the said accused in the County of Lowndes and the State of Georgia, on or about the 5th day of July, 2025, being associated with Sex Money Murder, a criminal street gang, did unlawfully participate in criminal gang activity through the commission of the offense of aggravated assault, as set forth and described in Counts 8 through 11 of this Indictment, and possession of a firearm by a first offender probationer, as set forth and described in Count 12 of this indictment, with the intent to maintain and increase his status in said gang, contrary to the laws of said State, the good order, peace and dignity thereof;

COUNT 5

The Grand Jurors aforesaid, in the name of and on behalf of the citizens of Georgia, do charge and accuse:

**LAVERNOUS ARNOLD
A.K.A. GUNNA**

with the offense of **MALICE MURDER (O.C.G.A. § 16-5-1(a))**, for that the said accused in the County of Lowndes and the State of Georgia, on or about the 5th day of July, 2025, did unlawfully with malice aforethought, cause the death of Jay’Kavion Gary, a human being, by shooting him with a firearm, contrary to the laws of said State, the good order, peace and dignity thereof;

COUNT 6

The Grand Jurors aforesaid, in the name of and on behalf of the citizens of Georgia, do charge and accuse:

**LAVERNOUS ARNOLD
A.K.A. GUNNA**

with the offense of **FELONY MURDER (O.C.G.A. § 16-5-1(c))**, for that the said accused in the County of Lowndes and the State of Georgia, on or about the 5th day of July, 2025, did unlawfully, while in the commission of a felony, aggravated assault, as set forth and described in Counts 8 through 11 of this Indictment, did cause the death of Jay’Kavion Gary, a human being, contrary to the laws of said state the good order, peace, and dignity thereof;

COUNT 7

The Grand Jurors aforesaid, in the name of and on behalf of the citizens of Georgia, do charge and accuse:

**LAVERNOUS ARNOLD
A.K.A. GUNNA**

with the offense of **FELONY MURDER (O.C.G.A. § 16-5-1(c))**, for that the said accused in the County of Lowndes and the State of Georgia, on or about the 5th day of July, 2025, did unlawfully, while in the commission of a felony, possession of a firearm by a first offender probationer, as set forth and described in Count 12 of this Indictment, did cause the death of Jay'Kavion Gary, a human being, contrary to the laws of said state the good order, peace, and dignity thereof;

COUNT 8

The Grand Jurors aforesaid, in the name of and on behalf of the citizens of Georgia, do charge and accuse:

**LAVERNOUS ARNOLD
A.K.A. GUNNA**

with the offense of **AGGRAVATED ASSAULT (O.C.G.A. § 16-5-21)**, for that the said accused in the County of Lowndes and the State of Georgia, on or about the 5th day of July, 2025, did unlawfully, make an assault upon the person of Jay'Kavion Gary with a deadly weapon, to wit: a firearm, by discharging said firearm in his direction, contrary to the laws of said state the good order, peace, and dignity thereof;

COUNT 9

The Grand Jurors aforesaid, in the name of and on behalf of the citizens of Georgia, do charge and accuse:

**LAVERNOUS ARNOLD
A.K.A. GUNNA**

with the offense of **AGGRAVATED ASSAULT (O.C.G.A. § 16-5-21)**, for that the said accused in the County of Lowndes and the State of Georgia, on or about the 5th day of July, 2025, did unlawfully, make an assault upon the person of Jeremiah Greene with a deadly weapon, to wit: a firearm, by discharging said firearm in his direction, contrary to the laws of said state the good order, peace, and dignity thereof;

COUNT 10

The Grand Jurors aforesaid, in the name of and on behalf of the citizens of Georgia, do charge and accuse:

**LAVERNOUS ARNOLD
A.K.A. GUNNA**

with the offense of **AGGRAVATED ASSAULT (O.C.G.A. § 16-5-21)**, for that the said accused in the County of Lowndes and the State of Georgia, on or about the 5th day of July, 2025, did unlawfully, make an assault upon the person of Kayla Wakefield with a deadly weapon, to wit: a firearm, by discharging said firearm in her direction, contrary to the laws of said state the good order, peace, and dignity thereof;

COUNT 11

The Grand Jurors aforesaid, in the name of and on behalf of the citizens of Georgia, do charge and accuse:

**LAVERNOUS ARNOLD
A.K.A. GUNNA**

with the offense of **AGGRAVATED ASSAULT (O.C.G.A. § 16-5-21)**, for that the said accused in the County of Lowndes and the State of Georgia, on or about the 5th day of July, 2025, did unlawfully, make an assault upon the person of Jalashia Knight with a deadly weapon, to wit: a firearm, by discharging said firearm in her direction, contrary to the laws of said state the good order, peace, and dignity thereof;

COUNT 12

The Grand Jurors aforesaid, in the name of and on behalf of the citizens of Georgia, do charge and accuse:

**LAVERNOUS ARNOLD
A.K.A. GUNNA**

with the offense of **POSSESSION OF FIREARM BY A FIRST OFFENDER PROBATIONER (O.C.G.A. § 16-11-131(b))**, for that the said accused, in the County of Lowndes and the State of Georgia, on or about the 5th day of July, 2025, did unlawfully possess a firearm, to wit a handgun, while on probation as a first offender pursuant to Article 3 of Chapter 8 of Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated imposed by a court of competent jurisdiction, for theft by receiving stolen property, to wit: a firearm, a felony, in Lowndes County Superior Court case no. 2025CR246 on April 2, 2025, and identify fraud, a felony, in Lowndes County Superior Court Case no. 2025CR195, contrary to the laws of said State, the good order, peace and dignity thereof;

COUNT 13

The Grand Jurors aforesaid, in the name of and on behalf of the citizens of Georgia, do charge and accuse:

**LAVERNOUS ARNOLD
A.K.A. GUNNA**

with the offense of **POSSESSION OF A FIREARM DURING THE COMMISSION OF A FELONY (O.C.G.A. § 16-11-106)**, for that the said accused in the County of Lowndes and the State of Georgia, on or about the 5th day of July, 2025, did unlawfully have on and within arm's reach of his person a firearm, to wit: a handgun, during the commission of malice murder, as set forth and described in Count 5 of this Indictment, said crime being against and involving the person of another and which crime was a felony, contrary to the laws of said State, the good order, peace and dignity thereof;

COUNT 14

The Grand Jurors aforesaid, in the name of and on behalf of the citizens of Georgia, do charge and accuse:

**LAVERNOUS ARNOLD
A.K.A. GUNNA**

with the offense of **POSSESSION OF A FIREARM DURING THE COMMISSION OF A FELONY (O.C.G.A. § 16-11-106)**, for that the said accused in the County of Lowndes and the State of Georgia, on or about the 5th day of July, 2025, did unlawfully have and within arm's reach of his person a firearm, to wit: a handgun, during the commission of aggravated assault, as set forth and described in Counts 8 through 11 of this Indictment, said crimes being against and involving the person of another and which crimes were felonies, contrary to the laws of said State, the good order, peace and dignity thereof;

COUNT 15

The Grand Jurors aforesaid, in the name of and on behalf of the citizens of Georgia, do charge and accuse:

**LAVERNOUS ARNOLD
A.K.A. GUNNA**

with the offense of **POSSESSION OF FIREARM BY A FELON DURING CRIME (O.C.G.A. § 16-11-133)**, for that the said accused, in the County of Lowndes and the State of Georgia, on or about the 5th day of July, 2025, did unlawfully have on and have within arm's reach of his person, a firearm, to wit a handgun, during the commission of a felony involving the person of another to wit: Malice Murder, as set forth and described in Count 5 of this Indictment, after having previously entered a guilty plea to theft by receiving stolen property, to wit: a firearm, in Lowndes County Superior Court case no. 2025CR246 on April 2, 2025, a felony which involved the use or possession of a firearm, contrary to the laws of said State, the good order, peace and dignity thereof;

COUNT 16

The Grand Jurors aforesaid, in the name of and on behalf of the citizens of Georgia, do charge and accuse:

**LAVERNOUS ARNOLD
A.K.A. GUNNA**

with the offense of **POSSESSION OF FIREARM BY A FELON DURING CRIME (O.C.G.A. § 16-11-133)**, for that the said accused, in the County of Lowndes and the State of Georgia, on or about the 5th day of July, 2025, did unlawfully have on and have within arm's reach of his person, a firearm, to wit a handgun, during the commission of a felony involving the person of another to wit: aggravated assault, as set forth and described in Counts 8 through 11 of this Indictment, after having previously entered a guilty plea to theft by receiving stolen property, to wit: a firearm, in Lowndes County Superior Court case no. 2025CR246 on April 2, 2025, a felony which involved the use or possession of a firearm, contrary to the laws of said State, the good order, peace and dignity thereof;

**CHRISTOPHER CARR
GEORGIA ATTORNEY GENERAL**

and

**BRAD SHEALY
DISTRICT ATTORNEY
SOUTHERN JUDICIAL CIRCUIT**

Witnesses Appearing Before the Grand Jury:

Montanna Walker, Georgia Bureau of Investigation