

1 JILL R. RAVITCH, #129787  
District Attorney, County of Sonoma  
2 Robert J. Waner, #202944  
Deputy District Attorney  
3 Hall of Justice, Room 212-J  
600 Administration Drive  
4 Santa Rosa, CA 95403  
(707) 565-2311  
5 [districtattorney@sonoma-county.org](mailto:districtattorney@sonoma-county.org)

6 Attorney for the People

**ENDORSED.  
FILED**

**OCT 30 2020**

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SONOMA**

8 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

9 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SONOMA

10 THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COURT NO.: SRO-1916259  
D.A. NO.: PBK0986204

11 Plaintiff,

12 v.

**INDICTMENT**

13 CHARLES WILLIAM BLOUNT,  
14 DOB:

Appearance Date:

15 Defendant.

16 The Grand Jury of the County of Sonoma, State of California, hereby accuses the above  
17 named defendant of the following criminal offenses:

18 **COUNT 1**

19 On or about November 27, 2019, in the County of Sonoma, State of California, the crime of  
20 Involuntary Manslaughter in violation of Penal Code section 192(b), a Felony, was committed in that  
21 CHARLES WILLIAM BLOUNT did unlawfully, and without malice, kill David Glen Ward, a  
22 human being, in the commission of an unlawful act, not amounting to a felony; and in the  
23 commission of a lawful act which might have produced death, in an unlawful manner, and without  
24 due caution and circumspection.  
25

1 It is further alleged that in the commission and attempted commission of the foregoing  
2 offense, CHARLES WILLIAM BLOUNT personally inflicted great bodily injury to another person,  
3 other than an accomplice, within the meaning of Penal Code section 969f.

4 **COUNT 2**

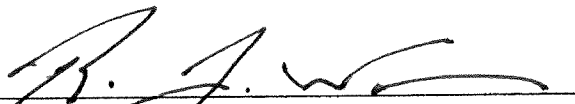
5 On or about November 27, 2019, in the County of Sonoma, State of California, the crime of  
6 Assault By A Public Officer Under Color Of Authority in violation of Penal Code section 149, a  
7 Felony, was committed in that CHARLES WILLIAM BLOUNT assaulted and beat David Glen  
8 Ward under color of authority, the defendant being then and there a public officer, to wit, a Deputy  
9 Sheriff employed by the Sonoma County Sheriff's Office.

10 It is further alleged that in the commission and attempted commission of the foregoing  
11 offense, CHARLES WILLIAM BLOUNT personally inflicted great bodily injury to another person,  
12 other than an accomplice, within the meaning of Penal Code sections 667 and 1192.7.

13 Contrary to the form, force and effect of that statute in such cases made and provided and  
14 against the peace and dignity of the people of the State of California. This information consists of 4  
15 count(s).

16 Dated: October 30, 2020

17 JILL R. RAVITCH, DISTRICT ATTORNEY

18  
19 By   
20 ROBERT J. WANER  
21 Deputy District Attorney

22 A TRUE BILL

23  
24 Dated: Oct 30, 2020

  
25 GRAND JURY FOREMAN

1 Names of witnesses examined before the Grand Jury on finding the foregoing Indictment:

- 2 1. Deputy Cayla Maile, SCSO
- 3 2. Deputy Justin Ritz, SCSO
- 4 3. Deputy Nicholas Jax, SCSO
- 5 4. Detective Terry White, SRPD
- 6 5. Deputy Jason Little, SCSO
- 7 6. Officer Andrew Bauer, Sebastopol PD
- 8 7. Officer Ethan Stockton, Sebastopol PD
- 9 8. Detective Anthony Turner, SRPD
- 10 9. Dr. Joseph Cohen, MD
- 11 10. Ms. Donna Papsun
- 12 11. Dr. Steven Karch, MD
- 13 12. Dr. Noel Santo-Domingo, MD
- 14 13. Mr. Jeff Martin
- 15 14. Asst. Sheriff James Naugle, SCSO