

INDICTMENT

No.

STATE OF TENNESSEE

v.

JASON EARL BROWNING

Charge(s):

**THEFT OF PROPERTY (\$10,000 - \$60,000)
OFFICIAL MISCONDUCT - 3 counts**

Date Presented: September 5, 2024

TRUE BILL NO TRUE BILL

Ana Price
Foreperson, Grand Jury

WITNESSES

Here duly summoned as witnesses and sworn by me, and testified before the Grand Jury on this indictment.

Ana Price
Foreman, Grand Jury

THE CLERK will issue summons for the following State Witnesses:

**D. MICHAEL DUNAVANT
DISTRICT ATTORNEY GENERAL PRO TEM**

**STATE OF TENNESSEE, CLAY COUNTY
TERM OF THE CRIMINAL COURT, 2024**

Count 1: THEFT OF PROPERTY (\$10,000 - \$60,000)

THE GRAND JURORS of Clay County, Tennessee, duly empaneled and sworn upon their oath present that **JASON EARL BROWNING**, between July 1, 2021 and July 31, 2023, in Clay County, Tennessee, and before the finding of this indictment, pursuant to a common scheme, purpose, intent or enterprise, did unlawfully and knowingly obtain or exercise control over property of the Clay County Highway Department, to wit: 16,200 gallons of diesel fuel with a total value of \$56,971.60, in the amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or more but less than sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000), without the owner's effective consent and with the intent to deprive the owner of said property, a Class C Felony, in violation of Tennessee Code Annotated 39-14-103, against the peace and dignity of the State of Tennessee.

D. Michael Dunavant

District Attorney General Pro Tem

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STATE OF TENNESSEE, Clay COUNTY

Criminal Court of the said County, September Term, 2024

Count 2: OFFICIAL MISCONDUCT

THE GRAND JURORS of Clay County, Tennessee, duly empaneled and sworn upon their oath present that JASON EARL BROWNING, while a public servant and between July 1, 2021 and July 31, 2023, in Clay County, Tennessee, and before the finding of this indictment, did unlawfully, knowingly and with intent to obtain a benefit or harm another, commit an act relating to the public servant's office or employment that constitutes an unauthorized exercise of official power, a Class E Felony, in violation of Tennessee Code Annotated 39-16-402, against the peace and dignity of the State of Tennessee.

Count 3: OFFICIAL MISCONDUCT

THE GRAND JURORS of Clay County, Tennessee, duly empaneled and sworn upon their oath present that JASON EARL BROWNING, while a public servant and between July 1, 2021 and July 31, 2023, in Clay County, Tennessee, and before the finding of this indictment, did unlawfully, knowingly and with intent to obtain a benefit or harm another, violate a law relating to his office or employment as a public servant, a Class E Felony, in violation of Tennessee Code Annotated 39-16-402, against the peace and dignity of the State of Tennessee.

Count 4: OFFICIAL MISCONDUCT

THE GRAND JURORS of Clay County, Tennessee, duly empaneled and sworn upon their oath present that JASON EARL BROWNING, while a public servant and between July 1, 2021 and July 31, 2023, in Clay County, Tennessee, and before the finding of this indictment, did unlawfully, knowingly and with intent to obtain a benefit or harm another, receive any benefit not otherwise authorized by law, a Class E Felony, in violation of Tennessee Code Annotated 39-16-402, against the peace and dignity of the State of Tennessee.

D. Michael Dunavat

District Attorney General Pro Tem