

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

**Holding a Criminal Term**

**Grand Jury Sworn in on May 25, 2021**

<b>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</b>	:	<b>CRIMINAL NO. 21-CR-00570(APM)</b>
	:	
<b>v.</b>	:	
	:	<b>VIOLATIONS:</b>
<b>LANDON KENNETH COPELAND,</b>	:	<b>18 U.S.C. § 231(a)(3)</b>
	:	<b>(Civil Disorder)</b>
<b>Defendant.</b>	:	<b>18 U.S.C. §§ 1512(c)(2), 2</b>
	:	<b>(Obstruction of an Official Proceeding)</b>
	:	<b>18 U.S.C. § 111(a)(1)</b>
	:	<b>(Assaulting, Resisting, or Impeding</b>
	:	<b>Certain Officers)</b>
	:	<b>18 U.S.C. §§ 111(a)(1) and (b)</b>
	:	<b>(Assaulting, Resisting, or Impeding</b>
	:	<b>Certain Officers Using a Dangerous</b>
	:	<b>Weapon)</b>
	:	<b>18 U.S.C. §§ 111(a)(1) and (b)</b>
	:	<b>(Inflicting Bodily Injury on Certain</b>
	:	<b>Officers)</b>
	:	<b>18 U.S.C. § 1752(a)(1)</b>
	:	<b>(Entering and Remaining in a Restricted</b>
	:	<b>Building or Grounds)</b>
	:	<b>18 U.S.C. § 1752(a)(2)</b>
	:	<b>(Disorderly and Disruptive Conduct in a</b>
	:	<b>Restricted Building or Grounds)</b>
	:	<b>18 U.S.C. § 1752(a)(4)</b>
	:	<b>(Engaging in Physical Violence in a</b>
	:	<b>Restricted Building or Grounds)</b>
	:	<b>40 U.S.C. § 5104(e)(2)(D)</b>
	:	<b>(Disorderly Conduct in</b>
	:	<b>a Capitol Building or Grounds)</b>
	:	<b>40 U.S.C. § 5104(e)(2)(F)</b>
	:	<b>(Act of Physical Violence in the Capitol</b>
	:	<b>Grounds or Buildings)</b>
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**INDICTMENT**

The Grand Jury charges that:

**COUNT ONE**

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, LANDON KENNETH COPELAND committed and attempted to commit an act to obstruct, impede, and interfere with a law enforcement officer lawfully engaged in the lawful performance of his official duties incident to and during the commission of a civil disorder which in any way and degree obstructed, delayed, and adversely affected commerce and the movement of any article or commodity in commerce and the conduct and performance of any federally protected function.

**(Civil Disorder, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 231(a)(3))**

**COUNT TWO**

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia and elsewhere, LANDON KENNETH COPELAND attempted to, and did, corruptly obstruct, influence, and impede an official proceeding, that is, a proceeding before Congress, specifically, Congress's certification of the Electoral College vote as set out in the Twelfth Amendment of the Constitution of the United States and 3 U.S.C. §§ 15-18.

**(Obstruction of an Official Proceeding and Aiding and Abetting, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1512(c)(2) and 2)**

**COUNT THREE**

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, LANDON KENNETH COPELAND did forcibly assault, resist, oppose, impede, intimidate, interfere and inflict bodily injury on, an officer and employee of the United States, and of any branch of the United States Government (including any member of the uniformed services), that is, Officer T.R., an officer from the United States Capitol Police, while such officer or employee was engaged in or on account of the performance of official duties, and where the acts in violation of this section involve

physical contact with the victim and the intent to commit another felony.

**(Inflicting Bodily Injury on Certain Officers, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 111(a)(1) and (b))**

**COUNT FOUR**

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, LANDON KENNETH COPELAND did forcibly assault, resist, oppose, impede, intimidate, and interfere with officers and employees of the United States, and of any branch of the United States Government (including any member of the uniformed services), that is, officers from the United States Capitol Police who came to Officer T.R.'s defense after the defendant assaulted Officer T.R., while such persons were engaged in and on account of the performance of official duties, and where the acts in violation of this section involve physical contact with the victims and the intent to commit another felony.

**(Assaulting, Resisting, or Impeding Certain Officers, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 111(a)(1))**

**COUNT FIVE**

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, LANDON KENNETH COPELAND did forcibly assault, resist, oppose, impede, intimidate, and interfere with officers and employees of the United States, and of any branch of the United States Government (including any member of the uniformed services), that is, officers from the United States Capitol Police and Metropolitan Police Department, while such persons were engaged in and on account of the performance of official duties, and where the acts in violation of this section involve physical contact with the victims and the intent to commit another felony.

**(Assaulting, Resisting, or Impeding Certain Officers, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 111(a)(1))**

**COUNT SIX**

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, LANDON KENNETH COPELAND, using a deadly or dangerous weapon, that is, a metal fence, did forcibly assault, resist, oppose, impede, intimidate, and interfere with an officer and employee of the United States, and of any branch of the United States Government (including any member of the uniformed services), that is, officers from the United States Capitol Police and Metropolitan Police Department, while such officers or employees were engaged in or on account of the performance of official duties, and where the acts in violation of this section involve physical contact with the victim and the intent to commit another felony.

**(Assaulting, Resisting, or Impeding Certain Officers Using a Dangerous Weapon, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 111(a)(1) and (b))**

**COUNT SEVEN**

On or about January 6, 2021, in the District of Columbia, LANDON KENNETH COPELAND did unlawfully and knowingly enter and remain in a restricted building and grounds, that is, any posted, cordoned-off, and otherwise restricted area within the United States Capitol and its grounds, where the Vice President and Vice President-elect were temporarily visiting, without lawful authority to do so.

**(Entering and Remaining in a Restricted Building or Grounds, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1752(a)(1))**

**COUNT EIGHT**

On or about January 6, 2021, in the District of Columbia, LANDON KENNETH COPELAND did knowingly, and with intent to impede and disrupt the orderly conduct of Government business and official functions, engage in disorderly and disruptive conduct in and

within such proximity to, a restricted building and grounds, that is, any posted, cordoned-off, and otherwise restricted area within the United States Capitol and its grounds, where the Vice President and Vice President-elect were temporarily visiting, when and so that such conduct did in fact impede and disrupt the orderly conduct of Government business and official functions.

**(Disorderly and Disruptive Conduct in a Restricted Building or Grounds, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1752(a)(2))**

**COUNT NINE**

On or about January 6, 2021, in the District of Columbia, LANDON KENNETH COPELAND did knowingly engage in any act of physical violence against any person and property in a restricted building and grounds, that is, any posted, cordoned-off, and otherwise restricted area within the United States Capitol and its grounds, where the Vice President and Vice President-elect were temporarily visiting.

**(Engaging in Physical Violence in a Restricted Building or Grounds, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1752(a)(4))**

**COUNT TEN**

On or about January 6, 2021, in the District of Columbia, LANDON KENNETH COPELAND willfully and knowingly engaged in disorderly and disruptive conduct within the United States Capitol Grounds with the intent to impede, disrupt, and disturb the orderly conduct of a session of Congress and either House of Congress, and the orderly conduct in that building of a hearing before or any deliberation of, a committee of Congress or either House of Congress.

**(Disorderly Conduct in a Capitol Building or Grounds, in violation of Title 40, United States Code, Section 5104(e)(2)(D))**

**COUNT ELEVEN**

On or about January 6, 2021, in the District of Columbia, LANDON KENNETH COPELAND willfully and knowingly engaged in an act of physical violence within the United States Capitol Grounds and any of the Capitol Buildings.

**(Act of Physical Violence in the Capitol Grounds or Buildings, in violation of Title 40, United States Code, Section 5104(e)(2)(F))**

A TRUE BILL:

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