

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

**Holding a Criminal Term**

**Grand Jury Sworn in on January 8, 2021**

<b>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</b>	:	<b>CRIMINAL NO.:</b>
	:	
<b>v.</b>	:	<b>GRAND JURY ORIGINAL</b>
	:	
<b>LEWIS EASTON CANTWELL,</b>	:	<b>VIOLATIONS:</b>
	:	<b>18 U.S.C. §§ 231(a)(3), 2</b>
<b>Defendant.</b>	:	<b>(Civil Disorder)</b>
	:	<b>18 U.S.C. §§ 1512(c)(2), 2</b>
	:	<b>(Obstruction of an Official Proceeding)</b>
	:	<b>18 U.S.C. § 1752(a)(1)</b>
	:	<b>(Entering and Remaining in a Restricted</b>
	:	<b>Building and Grounds)</b>
	:	<b>18 U.S.C. § 1752(a)(2)</b>
	:	<b>(Disorderly and Disruptive Conduct in a</b>
	:	<b>Restricted Building and Grounds)</b>
	:	<b>40 U.S.C. § 5104(e)(2)(D)</b>
	:	<b>(Disorderly and Disruptive Conduct in a</b>
	:	<b>Capitol Building and Grounds)</b>
	:	<b>40 U.S.C. § 5104(e)(2)(G)</b>
	:	<b>(Parading, Demonstrating, or Picketing in</b>
	:	<b>a Capitol Building)</b>

**INDICTMENT**

The Grand Jury charges that:

**COUNT ONE**

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **LEWIS EASTON CANTWELL** 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 or her official duties incident to and during the commission of a civil disorder, and the civil disorder obstructed, delayed, and adversely affected the conduct and performance of a federally protected function.

**(Civil Disorder and Aiding and Abetting, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 231(a)(3) and 2)**

**COUNT TWO**

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia and elsewhere, **LEWIS EASTON CANTWELL** attempted to, and did, corruptly obstruct, influence, and impede an official proceeding, that is, a proceeding before Congress, by entering and remaining in the United States Capitol without authority and committing an act of civil disorder, engaging in disorderly and disruptive conduct, and destroying federal property.

**(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, **LEWIS EASTON CANTWELL** 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 and Grounds**, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1752(a)(1))

**COUNT FOUR**

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **LEWIS EASTON CANTWELL** 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 and Grounds, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1752(a)(2))**

**COUNT FIVE**

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **LEWIS EASTON CANTWELL** willfully and knowingly engaged in disorderly and disruptive conduct in any of the Capitol Buildings and 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 and Disruptive Conduct in a Capitol Building and Grounds, in violation of Title 40, United States Code, Section 5104(e)(2)(D))**

**COUNT SIX**

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **LEWIS EASTON CANTWELL**, willfully and knowingly paraded, demonstrated, and picketed in any United States Capitol Building.

**(Parading, Demonstrating, or Picketing in a Capitol Building, in violation of Title 40, United States Code, Section 5104(e)(2)(G))**

A TRUE BILL:

FOREPERSON.



Attorney of the United States in  
and for the District of Columbia.