

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

Holding a Criminal Term

Grand Jury Sworn in on January 8, 2021

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	:	CRIMINAL NO. 21-CR-087
	:	
v.	:	MAGISTRATE NO. 21-MJ-098
	:	
MICHAEL SPARKS,	:	VIOLATIONS:
	:	18 U.S.C. § 231(a)(3), 2
Defendant.	:	(Civil Disorder)
	:	18 U.S.C. §§ 1512(c)(2), 2
	:	(Obstruction of an Official Proceeding)
	:	18 U.S.C. § 1752(a)(1)
	:	(Entering and Remaining in a Restricted
	:	Building or Grounds)
	:	18 U.S.C. § 1752(a)(2)
	:	(Disorderly and Disruptive Conduct in a
	:	Restricted Building or Grounds)
	:	18 U.S.C. § 1752(a)(3)
	:	(Impeding Ingress and Egress in a
	:	Restricted Building or Grounds)
	:	40 U.S.C. 5104(e)(2)(A)
	:	(Violent Entry and Disorderly Conduct in
	:	a Capitol Building)
	:	40 U.S.C. § 5104(e)(2)(D)
	:	(Disorderly Conduct in
	:	a Capitol Building)
	:	40 U.S.C. § 5104(e)(2)(E)
	:	(Impeding Passage Through the Capitol
	:	Grounds or Buildings)
	:	40 U.S.C. § 5104(e)(2)(G)
	:	(Parading, Demonstrating, or Picketing in
	:	a Capitol Building)

INDICTMENT

The Grand Jury charges that:

COUNT ONE

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **MICHAEL SPARKS**, 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 and commodity in commerce and the conduct and performance of any federally protected function.

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

COUNT TWO

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia and elsewhere, **MICHAEL SPARKS**, 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, **MICHAEL SPARKS**, 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 was 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 FOUR

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **MICHAEL SPARKS**, 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 was 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 FIVE

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **MICHAEL SPARKS**, did knowingly, and with intent to impede and disrupt the orderly conduct of Government business and official functions, obstructed and impeded ingress and egress to and from 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 was temporarily visiting.

(Impeding Ingress and Egress in a Restricted Building or Grounds, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1752(a)(3))

COUNT SIX

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **MICHAEL SPARKS**, willfully and knowingly entered and remained on the floor of a House of Congress and in any cloakroom and lobby adjacent to that floor, in the Rayburn Room of the House of Representatives, and in the Marble Room of the Senate, without authorization to do so.

(Entering and Remaining on the Floor of Congress, in violation of Title 40, United States Code, Section 5104(e)(2)(A))

COUNT SEVEN

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **MICHAEL SPARKS**, willfully and knowingly engaged in disorderly and disruptive conduct in any of the Capitol Buildings 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, in violation of Title 40, United States Code, Section 5104(e)(2)(D))

COUNT EIGHT

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **MICHAEL SPARKS**, willfully and knowingly obstructed, and impeded passage through and within, the United States Capitol Grounds and any of the Capitol Buildings.

(Impeding Passage Through the Capitol Grounds or Buildings, in violation of Title 40, United States Code, Section 5104(e)(2)(E))

COUNT NINE

On or about January 6, 2021, within the District of Columbia, **MICHAEL SPARKS**, 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.

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