

Bill Number: SB 111
Scott D. Shellenberger, State's Attorney for Baltimore County
Support

WRITTEN TESTIMONY OF SCOTT D. SHELLENBERGER,
STATE'S ATTORNEY FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY,
IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL 111
CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – PROTECTION OF IDENTITY OF MINOR VICTIM

I write in support of House Bill 111 that will automatically shield the name and identifying information of minor victims.

Now with so much court paperwork that is available and accessible from remote court kiosks it is more important now than ever to protect a minor victim's identity. It takes only a few clicks of a mouse to copy, paste and publicize the names of victims of crime. Redacting and shielding of names, addresses and personal information is easy to do this and does not interfere with the rights of a criminal defendant who will know who the victim is from discovery packet.

Attached you will find the charging document in the Gilman sexual assault case. No identifying information is contained in the document. The Defendant's rights are not affected as the identity of the victim was revealed to Defense Counsel in the discovery material turned over. However, in this case since the indictment requires a victim's name, shielding is vitally important and must happen automatically.

This is a simple yet necessary protection for the minor victims of crimes.

I urge a favorable report.



DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND FOR

Baltimore (City/County) RELATED CASES:

LOCATED AT (COURT ADDRESS)
120 E. Chesapeake Ave
Towson, MD 21286

DISTRICT COURT CASE NUMBER

DEFENDANT'S NAME (LAST, FIRST, M.I.)
Bendann, Christopher K



Form with columns for Complainant and Defendant. Includes fields for Name, Title, Agency, I.D. No., Work Telephone, Home Telephone, Address, City, State, Zip Code, Race, Sex, HT, WT, D.O.B., CC/OCA, Hair, Eyes, Other Description, Driver's License #, Work Telephone, Home Telephone, APT. No., and Address. Includes checkboxes for Domestic Violence, Hate Crime, Vulnerable Adult Abuse, and Child Abuse.

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STATEMENT OF CHARGES

IT IS FORMALLY CHARGED THAT THE DEFENDANT
1 | CJIS CODE AR ON OR ABOUT (DATE) AT (PLACE)
1 | 10322 2301579 01/01/2016-01/01/2019 Ruxton Road And I-83; 21204
... did cause sexual abuse to the victim, year of birth 2001, a minor, the defendant temporarily responsible for the supervision of said child.

IN VIOLATION OF:
[] MD. ANN. CODE ART. CR 3-601(b)(1) SEC. ; [] COMMON LAW OF MD.; [] PUB. LOCAL LAW ART. SEC.
[] PROBABLE CAUSE [] Y [] N
[] COMAR OR AGENCY CODE NO. MD0030100 ; [] ORDINANCE NO. AGAINST THE PEACE, GOVERNMENT AND DIGNITY OF THE STATE COMMISSIONER INITIALS ID NO.

2 | CJIS CODE AR ON OR ABOUT (DATE) AT (PLACE)
2 | 21103 2301579 01/01/2016-01/01/2019 Ruxton Road And I-83; 21204
... did unlawfully commit a rape in the second degree upon the victim, year of birth 2001, in violation of CR 3-304 of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

IN VIOLATION OF:
[] MD. ANN. CODE ART. CR 3-304 SEC. ; [] COMMON LAW OF MD.; [] PUB. LOCAL LAW ART. SEC.
[] PROBABLE CAUSE [] Y [] N
[] COMAR OR AGENCY CODE NO. MD 0030100 ; [] ORDINANCE NO. AGAINST THE PEACE, GOVERNMENT AND DIGNITY OF THE STATE COMMISSIONER INITIALS ID NO.

[] CONTINUED ON ATTACHED SHEET (FORM DC-CR-002A)
[] APPLICANT REQUESTS REASONABLE PROTECTION FOR SAFETY OF THE ALLEGED VICTIM OR THE VICTIM'S FAMILY.

(DESCRIBE)

I SOLEMNLY AFFIRM UNDER THE PENALTIES OF PERJURY THAT THE MATTERS AND FACTS SET FORTH IN THE FOREGOING DOCUMENT ARE TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, INFORMATION, AND BELIEF.
DATE 2/3/23 ISSUING PEACE OFFICER Det. [Signature]
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3 CJS CODE AR ON OR ABOUT (DATE) AT (PLACE)
 3 3600 2301579 01/01/2016-01/01/2019 Ruxton Road AND 1-83; 21224
 ... did unlawfully commit a sexual offense in the third degree upon the victim, year of birth 2001, in violation of CR 3-307 of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

IN VIOLATION OF: CR 3-307
 MD ANN. CODE ART. SEC. ; COMMON LAW OF MD. ; PUB. LOCAL LAW ART. SEC. PROBABLE CAUSE Y N
 COMAR OR AGENCY CODE NO. MD0030100 ; ORDINANCE NO. AGAINST THE PEACE, GOVERNMENT AND DIGNITY OF THE STATE COMMISSIONER INITIALS ID NO.

4 CJS CODE AR ON OR ABOUT (DATE) AT (PLACE)
 4 3600 2301579 01/01/2016-01/01/2019 Ruxton Road AND 1-83; 21224
 ... did engage in sexual contact with the victim, year of birth 2001, without his consent.

IN VIOLATION OF: CR 3-308(b)(1)
 MD ANN CODE ART. SEC. ; COMMON LAW OF MD. ; PUB. LOCAL LAW ART. SEC. PROBABLE CAUSE Y N
 COMAR OR AGENCY CODE NO. MD0030100 ; ORDINANCE NO. AGAINST THE PEACE, GOVERNMENT AND DIGNITY OF THE STATE COMMISSIONER INITIALS ID NO.

5 CJS CODE AR ON OR ABOUT (DATE) AT (PLACE)
 6 3600 2301579 01/01/2016-01/01/2019 Ruxton Road AND 1-83; 21224
 ... did commit a certain unnatural and perverted sexual practice with the victim, year of birth 2001.

IN VIOLATION OF: CR 3-322
 MD. ANN. CODE ART. SEC. ; COMMON LAW OF MD. ; PUB. LOCAL LAW ART. SEC. PROBABLE CAUSE Y N
 COMAR OR AGENCY CODE NO. MD0030100 ; ORDINANCE NO. AGAINST THE PEACE, GOVERNMENT AND DIGNITY OF THE STATE COMMISSIONER INITIALS ID NO.

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