

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI  
SOUTHWESTERN DIVISION**

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,**

Plaintiff,

v.

**(1) AMBER DAWN WATERMAN, and**  
[DOB: 3-12-1980]

**(2) JAMIE S. WATERMAN**  
[DOB: 6-16-1980]

Defendants.

**No.**

**COUNT 1**

18 U.S.C. § 1201(a)

NMT Death

NLT Life Imprisonment

NMT \$250,000 Fine

Class A Felony

**COUNT 2**

18 U.S.C. § 1841

NLT Life Imprisonment

NMT \$250,000 Fine

Class A Felony

**COUNT 3**

18 U.S.C. § 3

NMT 15 Years Imprisonment

NMT \$125,000 Fine

NMT 3 Years Supervised Release

Class C Felony

\$100 Special Assessment

(Each Count of Conviction)

**SUPERSEDING INDICTMENT**

**THE GRAND JURY CHARGES THAT:**

**COUNT 1**

Between October 31, 2022, and November 2, 2022, said dates being approximate, in McDonald County, in the Western District of Missouri, and elsewhere, the defendant, **AMBER DAWN WATERMAN**, did unlawfully and willfully kidnap, abduct, carry away, and hold Ashley Bush, for the purpose and benefit of claiming Valkyrie Grace Willis as the defendant's child, and willfully transported Ashley Bush in interstate commerce from Maysville, Arkansas, across the

state line to Pineville, Missouri, the actions of the defendant resulting in the death of Ashley Bush, all in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1201(a)(1).

**COUNT 2**

Between October 31, 2022, and November 2, 2022, said dates being approximate, in McDonald County, in the Western District of Missouri, and elsewhere, the defendant, **AMBER DAWN WATERMAN**, did commit the kidnapping resulting in the death of Ashley Bush as charged in Count 1, and thereby caused the death of a child in utero, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1841.

**COUNT 3**

Between October 31, 2022, and November 2, 2022, said dates being approximate, in McDonald County, in the Western District of Missouri, and elsewhere, the defendant, **JAMIE S. WATERMAN**, knowing that an offense against the United States has been committed, to wit, kidnapping resulting in death, did receive, relieve, comfort, and assist the offender, Amber Waterman, in order to hinder and prevent the offender's apprehension, trial, and punishment, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3.

**A TRUE BILL.**

*/s/ Clint Strong*

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**FOREPERSON OF THE GRAND JURY**

*/s/ Stephanie Wan*

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**STEPHANIE L. WAN**  
Assistant United States Attorney  
Missouri Bar No. 58918

Dated: 6/27/2023  
Springfield, Missouri

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CRIMINAL CASE COVER SHEET

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Matter to be Sealed

- Secret Indictment
- Juvenile

Defendant Information

Defendant Name: Amber Dawn Waterman

Alias Name:

Birth Date: 03-12-1980

Related Case Information

Superseding Indictment?  Yes  No If yes, original case number: 22-05035-01-CR-SW-SRB

New Defendant(s)?  Yes  No

Prior Complaint Case Number, if any: 22-mj-02058-DPR

Prior Target Letter Case Number, if any:

U.S. Attorney Information

AUSA Wan, Stephanie L.

Interpreter Needed?

- Yes Language and/or Dialect:
- No

Location Status

Arrest Date:

- Currently in Federal Custody
- Currently in State Custody
- Currently on Bond

Writ Required?  Yes  No

Warrant Required?  Yes  No

U.S.C. Citations

Total # of Counts 2 counts

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Defendant Information

Defendant Name: Jamie S. Waterman

Alias Name:

Birth Date: 06-16-1980

Related Case Information

Superseding Indictment?  Yes  No If yes, original case number: 22-05035-02-CR-SW-SRB

New Defendant(s)?  Yes  No

Prior Complaint Case Number, if any: 22-mj-02059-DPR

Prior Target Letter Case Number, if any:

U.S. Attorney Information

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