

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK SS.



To the Sheriff of our County of Norfolk, to such Deputy as he may name; and to the Warden of our State Prison in Boston, in our County of Suffolk:

Greeting:

WHEREAS, by the consideration of our Superior Court, holden at Dedham, within and for the County of Norfolk,

BARTOLOMEO VANZETTI, of Plymouth, in the County of Plymouth, now in custody of the sheriff of our said County of Norfolk, convict of the crime of murder in the first degree, on the ninth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven,

was sentenced to suffer the punishment of death

by the passage of a current of electricity through his body,

within the week beginning on Sunday, the tenth day of July next,

as to us appears of record, a copy of which record we have caused to be hereunto annexed;

and whereas a certified copy of the whole record of said conviction and sentence has been delivered to His Excellency the Governor, as required by law, execution of which sentence remains to be done:

WE THEREFORE COMMAND YOU, the said Sheriff, to confine him, said BARTOLOMEO VANZETTI, in the jail in our said county of Norfolk



until within ten days of Sunday the said tenth day of July next, being the first day of the week appointed for the execution of said sentence, and thereupon and within said ten days to convey him as secretly as may be to our said State Prison, and to deliver him with this our warrant and with a return of your doings hereon to the said Warden of said State Prison or to the officer performing the duties of said Warden.

AND WE COMMAND YOU, the said Warden, that you receive him, said BARTOLOMEO VANZETTI, and keep him in close custody, as provided by law, until the infliction of the punishment of death upon him, and that on some day to be by you selected within the week beginning on the said Sunday, the tenth day of July next, and at an hour between midnight and sunrise, within the building provided for the purpose adjoining said State Prison, agreeably to the provisions of the statute in such case made and provided, you cause execution of the said sentence of our said Court in all respects to be done and performed upon him the said BARTOLOMEO VANZETTI, by causing to pass through his body a current of electricity of sufficient intensity to cause death and continuing the application of such current until he is dead: for all which this shall be your sufficient warrant.

Hereof fail not at your peril, and you, said Warden, are to make return of this warrant with your doings hereon into the office of the Clerk of our said Court within and for our said County of Norfolk, as soon as may be after you shall have executed the same.

Witness, WALTER PERLEY HALL, Esquire, and the seal of our said Court, at Dedham, this 26th day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven.

R B Woodington CLERK.



Norfolk S.S. July 1, 1927

In obedience to the within warrant to me directed, I have this day conveyed the within named Bartolomeo Vanzetti from the Jail in Dedham in said County, to our said State Prison in Boston, in our County of Suffolk and delivered him to the Warden thereof  
Samuel H. Copen - Sheriff Norfolk County

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NORFOLK SS.

SUPERIOR COURT

COMMONWEALTH

VS.

NICOLA SACCO

and

BARTOLOMEO VANZETTI

WARRANT

MASS. STATE PRISON

Received and Committed

July 1, 1927.

William H. Copen  
Warden

Executed Aug. 23, 1927, 12:26 A.M.

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NORFOLK COUNTY



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

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NORFOLK SS. At the SUPERIOR COURT begun and holden at Dedham, within and for the County of Norfolk, on the first Monday of September in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty, THE JURORS for the COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS on their oath present That NICOLA SACCO of Stoughton in the County of Norfolk, and BARTOLOMEO VANZETTI of Plymouth in the County of Plymouth on the fifteenth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty at Braintree in the County of Norfolk did assault and beat ALEXANDER BERARDELLI with intent to murder him by shooting him in the body with a loaded pistol and by such assault, beating and shooting did murder Alexander Berardelli against the peace of said Commonwealth and contrary to the form of the Statute in such case made and provided.

A TRUE BILL.

Foreman of the  
JOHN B. WHELAN, Grand Jury.

Frederick G. Katzmann

District Attorney.



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These indictments were returned into said Superior Court by the Grand Jurors on the eleventh day of September, 1920, and were ordered to be filed, and it appearing to said Court that said indictments charged said defendants with crimes punishable with death, it was ordered by the Court that said Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti be held in the custody of the Sheriff of the County of Norfolk to answer to said indictments, and that the said Sheriff or his deputy give notice to each of said defendants that said indictments would be entered forthwith upon the docket of said Court, by causing each of said defendants to be served with copies of said indictments, and copies of order thereon.

And in obedience to said order the said Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti were severally notified as thereby required, and said indictments were entered of record upon the docket of said Court, and notice of the entry of said indictments with copies thereof was duly sent to the Chief Justice of said Court, and to the Attorney General.



And on the 28th day of September 1920, the said Nicola Sacco and the said Bartolomeo Vanzetti being in Court under the custody of the Sheriff of said County, were severally arraigned at the bar in their own proper persons, and the said indictments being read to them and they being forthwith demanded concerning the premises of said indictments above specified, and charged upon them, said that thereof they were not guilty, and the said Nicola Sacco was thereupon ordered to be committed into the custody of the Sheriff of said County without bail, and the said Bartolomeo Vanzetti was remanded to our State Prison in Boston in our County of Suffolk without bail.

And on the 18th day of November, 1920, Fred H. Moore and William J. Callahan, Esquires, entered their appearances respectively for said defendants.

And on the fifth day of February 1921, it was ordered by the court as follows:

THE SUPERIOR COURT

Boston, February 5, 1921.

TO THE CLERK OF COURTS FOR THE COUNTY OF NORFOLK:



ORDERED: That a special Criminal Sitting of the Superior Court for the County of Norfolk be held at the Court House in Dedham beginning Monday, March 7, 1921, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, for the trial together of the case of --

COMMONWEALTH v. NICOLA SACCO And BARTOLOMEO VANZETTI, indictment for the murder of Alexander Berodelli, and the case of --

COMMONWEALTH v. NICOLA SACCO and BARTOLOMEO VANZETTI, indictment for the murder of Frederick A. Parmenter.

FURTHER ORDERED: That venires issue for five hundred jurors.

JOHN A. AIKEN

Chief Justice of the  
Superior Court.

And on the fourteenth day of February 1921, venires were issued pursuant to said order.

And on the twenty-sixth day of February 1921, on motion of said defendants, it was ordered by the Court that said order for a special sitting of said Court, on the seventh day of March, 1921, be vacated.



And on the twenty-eighth day of February, 1921, said defendants in writing waived their right to be admitted to bail prior to or during a full trial under said indictments and moved that said cases be continued for trial to Tuesday, May 31, 1921.

And on the twentieth day of April 1921 orders for special sitting beginning Tuesday, May 31, 1921, and for issue of venire for jurors were entered as follows:

THE SUPERIOR COURT

Boston, April 20, 1921.

To the Clerk of Courts for the County of Norfolk:

ORDERED: That a special Criminal Sitting of the Superior Court for the County of Norfolk be held at the Court House in Dedham, beginning Tuesday, May 31, 1921, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, for the trial together of the case of

COMMONWEALTH v. NICOLA SACCO and BARTOLOMEO VANZETTI, indictment for the murder of Alexander Berardelli, and the case of



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JOHN A. AIKEN

Chief Justice of the  
Superior Court.

And on the twenty-fifth day of April 1921,  
the following order affixing dates for attendance  
of jurors was entered:

THE SUPERIOR COURT.

Boston, April 25, 1921.

R. B. Worthington, Esq., Clerk of Courts,

County of Norfolk, Dedham, Mass.

Let writs of venire facias for jurors for the  
Special Criminal Sitting of the Superior Court at  
Dedham, beginning May 31st, 1921, at 10 a.m., require  
the attendance of 175 jurors on the first day of said  
sitting, 175 jurors on the second day of said sitting,  
and 150 jurors on the third day of said sitting, at  
10 a. m. on each of said days.



JOHN A. AIKEN

Chief Justice of the  
Superior Court.

And on the twelfth day of May 1921, venires were issued pursuant to said orders.

And on the thirty-first day of May 1921, the said Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti under custody of the Sheriff, again came before the Court, the Honorable Webster Thayer presiding; Frederick G. Katzmann, Esquire - District Attorney, and Harold P. Williams, Esquire, Assistant District Attorney appearing for the Commonwealth and Fred E. Moore and William J. Callahan appearing for the said Nicola Sacco and Jeremiah J. and Thomas F. McAnarney appearing for the defendant Bartolomeo Vanzetti.

And said defendants for trial on said indictments put themselves upon the country, and a jury was thereupon empanelled and sworn to try the issues, namely: Walter H. Ripley, Foreman and fellows to wit: Wallace Hersey, John E. Ganley, Frank R. Waugh, Frank D. Marden, John F. Dever, Lewis McHardy, Harry E. King, George A.



Gerard, Alfred L. Atwood, J. Frank <sup>M</sup>cNamara, and Seward R. Parker, who having been sworn to try the issues upon each of said indictments did on the fourteenth day of July 1921, return their verdicts therein, and upon their oaths did say that the said Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti were guilty of Murder in the first degree as charged in said indictments.

And thereupon the time for filing of exceptions to rulings of the Court given at said trial was with the consent of the District Attorney extended by the Court to and including November 1, 1921.

And on the eighteenth day of July 1921, motions for new trial were filed in behalf of said defendants.

And on the thirty-first day of October, 1921, the time for filing exceptions by said defendants was extended to and including December 1, 1921.

And on the eighth day of November 1921, a sup-



plementary motion for new trial was filed by said defendants.

And on the thirtieth day of November 1921, the time for filing exceptions by said defendants was extended to and including December 20, 1921.

And on December 17, 1921, the time for filing exceptions by said defendants was extended to January 15, 1922.

And on the twenty-fourth day of December, 1921, the motions for new trial filed July 18, 1921 were denied by the Court.

And on the twenty-seventh day of December, 1921, time for filing exceptions to and appeal from order denying motion for new trial was extended to and including January 14, 1922.

And on the thirteenth day of January, 1922, time for filing exceptions and appeal by said defendants



was extended to January 24, 1922.

And on the tenth day of February 1922, volume one of bills of exceptions by said defendants was filed, and the time for filing and completing the bills of exceptions was extended to February 20, 1922.

And on the twentieth day of November 1922, time for completing bills of exceptions was extended to and including February 25, 1922.

And on February 25, 1922, volume two of bills of exceptions by said defendants was filed.

And on the fourth day of May, 1922, second supplementary motion for new trial of defendant Sacco was filed.

And on the twenty-second day of July 1922, third supplementary motion for new trial of said defendant Sacco was filed.

And on the eleventh day of September, 1922,



fourth supplementary motion for new trial of said defendant Sacco was filed.

And on the thirteenth day of April 1923, the fifth supplementary motion for new trial of said defendant Vanzetti was filed.

And on the first day of October 1923, supplement to the first supplementary motion of defendants for new trial was filed.

And on the first day of October 1924, decision of the Court denying all the supplementary motions of defendants for new trial was filed and entered.

And on the second day of October, 1924, defendants bill of exceptions was allowed by the court.

And on the eleventh day of May, 1925, substitute bill of exceptions of Bartolomeo Vanzetti on first supplementary motion for new trial was allowed by the Court.



And on the eleventh day of May, 1925, defendants bill of exceptions to decision on a second supplementary motion for new trial was allowed by the court.

And on the eleventh day of May, 1925, defendants supplementary bill of exceptions based on denial of first and fifth supplementary motions for new trial, was allowed by the Court.

And thence said case was continued for the determination of the Supreme Judicial Court for the Commonwealth.

And on the thirteenth day of May, 1926, a rescript from said Supreme Judicial Court was filed in words following, to wit: "Exceptions overruled-Verdict to stand."

And on the twenty-sixth day of May, 1926, motion for new trial for said defendants was filed.

And on the twenty-third day of October, 1926, decision of the Court denying motion for new trial of



defendants was rendered.

And on the twenty-eighth day of October, 1926, defendants' bill of exceptions was filed.

And on the thirteenth day of November, 1926, defendants' bill of exceptions was allowed.

And said case was thence continued for the determination of the Supreme Judicial Court for the Commonwealth.

And on the sixth day of April, 1927, a rescript from said Supreme Judicial Court was filed in words following, to wit: "Exceptions overruled".

And on the ninth day of April, 1927, the said Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti under custody of the Sheriff of said County, again came before the said Court in their own proper persons and thereupon Winfield M. Wilbar- District Attorney in said County moves that the sentence provided by law may be passed upon the said defendants.



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

In the Superior Court holden at  
Dedham within and for the County  
Of Norfolk, for the Transaction of  
Criminal Business:

Certified Copy of Record of  
Conviction and Sentence of  
Death of Nicola Sacco and  
Bartolomeo Vanzetti.