

FACT SHEET 2 | FELONY PROSECUTIONS | DATE: NOVEMBER 1, 2025

Murder Convictions: Ms. Humphries' Office has obtained murder convictions against four individuals, Jordan Cochran, Lorenzo Brooks, Aaron Carter, and Ahmad Haigler. Ms. Humphries led the prosecution team that obtained the murder convictions against Brooks and Carter. For the four convictions, there were three murder victims and a fourth victim with a permanent disabling injury. The Cochran homicide occurred in Fairfax County. Ms. Humphries was appointed as a substitute prosecutor for the case.

Life Sentences: Ms. Humphries' Office has obtained eight life sentences, six against one defendant convicted of child sexual assault and two against a murder defendant.

Felony Sentencing Information | Source: Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission.

City of Fredericksburg | January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2024 | CA: Libby Humphries

- 77.8% of felony defendants received a sentence within their sentencing guidelines.
- 15.6% of felony defendants received more active time than their sentencing guidelines.
- 06.6% of felony defendants received less active time than their sentencing guidelines.
- The sentencing court is required to consider the guidelines but can impose more or less active time than the guidelines recommendation.

Spotsylvania County | January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2023 | CA: Travis Bird

- 78.0% of felony defendants received a sentence within their sentencing guidelines.
- 13.1% of felony defendants received more active time than their sentencing guidelines.
- 09.0% of felony defendants received less active time than their sentencing guidelines.

Felony Conviction Cases | Source: Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission

City of Fredericksburg | January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2024 | CA: Libby Humphries

- 211 per year (average of 623 felony defendants over three years). Fredericksburg Population: 29,000

Spotsylvania County | January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2023 | CA: Travis Bird

- 368 per year (average of 736 felony defendants over two years.) Spotsylvania County Population: 148,000.

Plea Agreements | Source: Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission

Available data provides the following information on felony plea agreements:

City of Fredericksburg | January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2024 | CA: Libby Humphries

- 57.4 percent of felony convictions obtained by plea agreements. The percentage refers to defendants convicted of one or more felonies (not the total number of felonies).

Spotsylvania County | January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2023 | CA: Travis Bird

- 77.5 percent of felony convictions obtained by plea agreements. The percentage refers to defendants convicted of one or more felonies (not the total number of felonies).

Explanation of Time Periods: Libby Humphries has served as the elected Fredericksburg since January 1, 2022. During this same timeframe, Travis Bird served as the Spotsylvania County Commonwealth's Attorney from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2023.

APPENDIX | VCSC DATA

- The next three pages provide data from the Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission.

KEY TERMS

Concurrent Sentence means a sentence imposed within the sentencing guidelines for a felony case. The sentencing judge must consider the guidelines but may impose any sentence within, above, or below guidelines at the judge's discretion.

Aggravating Sentence means active time imposed in an amount greater than the sentencing guidelines in a felony case. (Active time is the jail or prison time that a defendant serves.)

Mitigating Sentence means active time imposed in an amount lower than the sentencing guidelines in a felony case.



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Response to Information Request

Requester: Libby Humphries

Date of Response: October 16, 2025

Figure 1
Trial Type, 1/1/2022 – 12/31/2024, Fredericksburg

	#	%
Guilty Plea	558	89.6%
Jury Trial	18	2.9%
Bench Trial	15	2.4%
Alford Plea	11	1.8%
Unknown	21	3.4%
TOTAL	623	100.0%

Figure 2
Sentencing Concurrence, 1/1/2022 – 12/31/2024, Fredericksburg

	#	%
Concurrent Sentence	484	77.8%
Aggravating Sentence	97	15.6%
Mitigating Sentence	41	6.6%
TOTAL	622	100.0%

Figure 3
Trial Type, 1/1/2022 – 12/31/2023, Spotsylvania

	#	%
Guilty Plea	640	87.0%
Jury Trial	36	4.9%
Bench Trial	17	2.3%
Alford Plea	9	1.2%
Unknown	34	4.6%
TOTAL	736	100.0%

Figure 4
Sentencing Concurrence, 1/1/2022 – 12/31/2023, Spotsylvania

	#	%
Concurrent Sentence	573	78.0%
Aggravating Sentence	96	13.1%
Mitigating Sentence	66	9.0%
TOTAL	735	100.0%

Source: Sentencing Guidelines Data System

Notes:

- Analysis is based on sentencing events; all offenses sentenced in the same court by the same judge at the same time are included in one sentencing event. Sentencing events are identified by the primary, or most serious, conviction offense, based on rules specified in the Virginia Sentencing Guidelines Manual. Analysis only includes sentencing events in which the primary, or most serious, offense is covered by the Guidelines.
- Offenses are categorized based on the Virginia Crime Codes (VCCs) recorded as the most serious offense on the Sentencing Guidelines form.
- Data for each offense include attempted, conspired, and completed crimes, unless otherwise noted.
- In some cases, concurrence could not be calculated due to incomplete data for essential variables.

Plea Agreement, 1/1/2022 - 12/31/2024: Fredericksburg

	Fredericksburg	
	#	%
No Plea	237	41.9%
Oral	1	0.2%
Recommendation	4	0.7%
Written	323	57.2%
Multiple Types	0	0.0%
TOTAL	565	100.0%

Plea Agreement, 1/1/2022 - 12/31/2023: Spotsylvania

	Spotsylvania	
	#	%
No Plea	135	21.1%
Oral	1	0.2%
Recommendation	7	1.1%
Written	495	77.3%
Multiple Types	2	0.3%
TOTAL	640	100.0%