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SUSPECT INVOLVED IN LANCASTER COUNTY OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING CHARGED WITH ATTEMPTED MURDER

Agents of the S.C. Law Enforcement Division arrested a man Saturday in connection to a confrontation that occurred Friday with officers from the Lancaster County Sheriff's Office following a domestic incident near Indian Land in Lancaster County.

Joshua James Hendricks III, 33, was charged with four counts of Assault / Attempted Murder.

Hendricks is accused of discharging a handgun at deputies who were investigating a domestic violence situation. Deputies returned fire disabling Hendricks. He was transported by EMS to a nearby hospital for treatment, and his injuries are not life threatening.

SLED's investigation into the incident remains active. Information gathered in the SLED investigation of the incident will be summarized in a case file report to be submitted to prosecutors.

This is an ongoing investigation. No other information about the case will be disclosed by SLED at this time. SLED will defer to the Lancaster County Sheriff's Office for any information about their officers.

Hendricks was booked at the Lancaster County Detention Center.

The case will be prosecuted by the Sixth Circuit Solicitor's Office.

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Warrants attached



An Accredited Law Enforcement Agency



ARREST WARRANT

2020A2910100271

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
County: [X] Lancaster Municipality of []

Lancaster

THE STATE
against

Joshua James Hendricks

Address:

Charlotte, NC 28216-

Phone: SSN:

Sex: M Race: B Height: 6 4 Weight:

DL State: NC DL #: Agency ORI #:

DOB: 7/19/86

Prosecuting Agency: SLED

Prosecuting Officer: - Asst. Blackmon

Offense: Assault / Attempted Murder

Offense Code: 3410

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-03-0029

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Signature of Judge

(L.S.)

Date:

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Affiant's Address 4400 Broad River Road Columbia, SC 29210-

Affiant's Telephone (803)896-7250

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Signature of Issuing Judge

Deirdra Michael Vecchio

Judge Code: 7225

Judge's Address 761 Lancaster Bypass East Lancaster, SC 29721-1809

Judge's Telephone (803)283-3983

Issuing Court: [X] Magistrate [] Municipal [] Circuit

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