



South Carolina Law Enforcement Division

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:
October 19, 2020

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LEE COUNTY MAN ARRESTED IN ATTEMPT TO BURN BISHOPVILLE CITY HALL

Agents of the S.C. Law Enforcement Division arrested Sunday a Lee County man for breaking into Bishopville City Hall and attempting multiple times to set the building on fire.

Jeffrey Albert Scott, 61, was charged with Arson Second Degree, Burglary Second Degree, and Malicious Injury to Property.

The SLED investigation was requested by the Bishopville Police Department.

Scott was booked at the Sumter-Lee Regional Detention Center.

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

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Warrants Attached
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ARREST WARRANT

2020A3110200106

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Lee County/ Municipality of

Lee

THE STATE

against

35200135

Jeffrey Albert Scott

Address:

BISHOPVILLE, SC 29010

Phone: (000)000-0000

SSN:

Sex: M Race: B Height: 6 Weight: 180

DL State: SC DL #: Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

DOB: 1959

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: David B Gulley - S00334

Offense: Arson / Arson - Second degree

Offense Code: 2551

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-11-0110(B)

This warrant is CERTIFIED FOR SERVICE in the

Lee County/ Municipality of

is to be arrested and brought before me to be

dealt with according to the law.

(L.S.)

Signature of Judge

RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to

defendant Jeffrey Scott

on 10/18/2020

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer Shirley 0702

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions
123 South Main Street
P O Box 387
Bishopville, SC 290100387

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Lee County/ Municipality of

Lee

Personally appeared before me the affiant

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant

did within this county and state on or about

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Arson / Arson - Second degree

I further state that there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit the crime set forth and that probable cause is based on the following facts:

Jeffrey Albert Scott did commit the offense of Arson Second degree at 135 East Church Street in Bishopville, Lee County South Carolina. Probable Cause - See Attached Affidavit.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Lee County/ Municipality of

Lee

Affiant's Address

P. O. Box 21398

Affiant's Telephone

Columbia, SC 29221-

ARREST WARRANT

TO ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THIS STATE OR MUNICIPALITY OR ANY CONSTABLE OF THIS COUNTY:

It appearing from the above affidavit that there are reasonable grounds to believe that

on or about 10/17/2020

defendant Jeffrey Albert Scott

did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of

Lee County/ Municipality of Lee

) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Arson / Arson - Second degree

Having found probable cause and the above affiant having sworn before me, you are empowered and directed to arrest the said defendant and bring him or her before me forthwith to be dealt with according to law. A copy of this Arrest Warrant shall be delivered to the defendant at the time of its execution, or as soon thereafter as is practicable

Sworn to and subscribed before me

on 10/18/2020

Signature of Issuing Judge Anna Tindal (L.S.)

Judge's Address

Sumter County Summary Court

Sumter, SC 29151-1428

Judge's Telephone

(803)436-2280

Issuing Court

Magistrate

Judge Code: 5769

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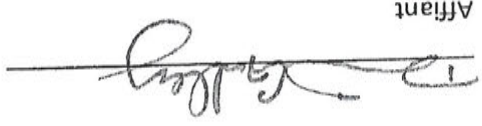
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Affidavit

On or about October 17, 2020, the Bishopville Police Department dispatched officers to a glass break type alarm reported at 135 East Church Street in Bishopville, Lee County, South Carolina. Upon arrival, officers with the Bishopville Police Department discovered Jeffrey Albert Scott on the property of the Bishopville City Hall. The Bishopville Police Department reviewed security camera footage obtained and observed an individual that was recognized as Jeffrey Albert Scott, by Bishopville Police Department Lieutenant Ben Weatherford. The affiant observed the security camera footage and observed the individual attempt to light the Bishopville City Hall building on fire using an open flame applied to a rug, newspaper and an ignitable liquid. The individual attempted to start the fire no less than four times within an approximate 20 minute period. The aforementioned rug was discovered with newspapers in close proximity to a window that was broken out on the left side of the building. The defendant was observed during nighttime, removing the rug and leaving the camera view and approximately two minutes later, Bishopville Police Department officers arrived on scene an encountered the defendant on the Bishopville City Hall property. The weather stripping on the bottom of the door was burned. The defendant was advised of his Miranda rights and admitted in an interview that he did light fires at the Bishopville City Hall. By the actions described, the defendant did willfully, feloniously and unlawfully, commit the offenses of Arson 2nd degree in violation of 16-11-110(B), Attempted Burglary 2nd Degree in violation of 16-11-312 and Malicious Injury to Real Property in violation of 16-11-520.


Affiant



ARREST WARRANT

2020A3110200107

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
County/ Municipality of

Lee

THE STATE
against

Jeffrey Albert Scott

Address: [REDACTED]

BISHOPVILLE, SC 29010

Phone: (000)000-0000 SSN: [REDACTED]

Sex: M Race: B Height: 6 Weight: 180

DL State: SC DL #: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED] 1959 Agency ORI #: SCLLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: David B Gullely - S00334

Offense: Burglary / Burglary (Non-Violent) - Second degree

Offense Code: 0080

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-11-0312

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Signature of Judge

Date:

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Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

Shirley 0700

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I further state that there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit the crime set forth and that probable cause is based on the following facts:

Jeffrey Albert Scott did commit the offense of Burglary (Non-Violent) Second degree at 135 East Church Street in Bishopville, Lee County South Carolina. Probable Cause- See Attached Affidavit.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/ Municipality of

Lee

Affiant's Address P. O. Box 21398

Columbia, SC 29221-

Affiant's Telephone

ARREST WARRANT

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It appearing from the above affidavit that there are reasonable grounds to believe that

on or about 10/17/2020 defendant Jeffrey Albert Scott

did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of

Lee) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Burglary / Burglary (Non-Violent) - Second degree

Having found probable cause and the above affiant having sworn before me, you are empowered and directed to arrest the said defendant and bring him or her before me forthwith to be dealt with according to law. A copy of this Arrest Warrant shall be delivered to the defendant at the time of its execution, or as soon thereafter as is practicable

Sworn to and subscribed before me

on 10/18/2020

Signature of Issuing Judge (L.S.)
Lee Anna Tindal

Judge Code: 5769

Issuing Court: Magistrate Municipal Circuit

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 County/ Municipality of

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THE STATE 35200135
against

Jeffrey Albert Scott

Address: [Redacted]
BISHOPVILLE, SC 29010

Phone: (000)000-0000 SSN: [Redacted]

Sex: M Race: B Height: 6 Weight: 180

DL State: SC DL #: [Redacted]

DOB: [Redacted] Agency ORI #: SCL000000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: David B Gulley - S00334

Offense: Malicious / Malicious injury to tree, house;
trespass upon real property, injury value \$2,000 or

Offense Code: 3428

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-11-0520(A)

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[Signature] Shirley
Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

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Lee County Magistrate
115 Gregg Street / P.O. Box 2
Bishopville, SC 290100002

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State of South Carolina (or ordinance of County/ Municipality of Lee

in the following particulars: violate the criminal laws of the

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Malicious / Malicious injury to tree, house; trespass upon real property, injury value \$2,000 or less

I further state that there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit the crime set forth and that probable cause is based on the following facts:

Jeffrey Albert Scott did commit the offense of Malicious Injury to Real Property value \$2,000 or less at 135 East Church Street in Bishopville, Lee County South Carolina. Probable Cause- See Attached Affidavit.

Signature of Affiant

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County/ Municipality of

Lee

Affiant's Address P. O. Box 21398

Columbia, SC 29221-

Affiant's Telephone

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Signature of Issuing Judge

Lee Anna Tindal

Judge Code: 5769

Issuing Court: Magistrate Municipal Circuit

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