



## South Carolina Law Enforcement Division

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**  
April 12, 2021

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### **THREE RICHLAND COUNTY WOMEN CHARGED WITH COMPUTER CRIME**

Agents of the S.C. Law Enforcement Division have arrested three Richland County women for creating fraudulent customer accounts to obtain property and services from Charter Communications which cost the company more than \$700,000.00.

Bria Chenial Watts, 28, Asia Michelle McCrory, 29, and Courtney Katerri Smith, 32, were each charged with violating the Computer Crimes Act 1<sup>st</sup> degree.

The SLED investigation was requested by the Attorney General's Office.

The women were booked at the Lexington County Detention Center.

The case will be prosecuted by the South Carolina Attorney General's Office.

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[www.sled.sc.gov](http://www.sled.sc.gov)  
Warrants attached

ARREST WARRANT

2020A3210203196

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
County/ Municipality of Lexington

THE STATE against

Asia Michelle McCrory

Address:
Phone:
Sex: F Race: B Height: 5'4" Weight: 160
DL State: SC DL #:
DOB:
Agency ORI #: SCLED0000
Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division
Prosecuting Officer: Kevin N Blake - S00291
Offense: Computer / Computer Crime Act, value exceeds \$10,000-First degree(formerly CDR 426)
Offense Code: 3110
Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-16-0020(2)

This warrant is CERTIFIED FOR SERVICE in the
County/ Municipality of
is to be arrested and brought before me to be dealt with according to the law.

Date: (L.S.)

RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to defendant ASIA M. MCCROY on 3.2.2021

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions
Mark H. Westbrook Judicial Center
205 East Main Street
Lexington, SC 29072

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
County/ Municipality of Lexington

Personally appeared before me the affiant Kevin N Blake being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Asia Michelle McCrory did within this county and state on or about 6/1/2018 State of South Carolina (or ordinance of County/ Municipality of Lexington) in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Computer / Computer Crime Act, value exceeds \$10,000-First degree(formerly CDR 426) who violate the criminal laws of the

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:

During the period on or about June 2018 to December 2019, Asia Michelle McCrory, did willfully, knowingly and unlawfully violate Computer Crimes Act 1st Degree, in that she did without authorization, for an unauthorized purpose, provide fraudulent information to the Victim, Charter Communications, to alter or modify data contained in the computer system, computer program or computer network, to create fraudulent customer accounts, for her financial gain. The information McCrory gave the Victim, generated work orders for equipment and services from the Victim's property located in West Columbia, SC, Lexington County, SC. During the above period, McCrory provided false personal identification and false payment information to obtain property and services, which as of December 2019 deprived the Victim of approx. \$22,564. The above is substantiated by account data logs provided by the Victim, and data from McCrory's Facebook and WhatsApp/Square Inc. accounts.

Signature of Affiant

Kevin Blake

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
County/ Municipality of Lexington
Affiant's Address P. O. Box 21398
Columbia, SC 29221-
Affiant's Telephone

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 6/1/2018 defendant Asia Michelle McCrory did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of County/ Municipality of Lexington) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Computer / Computer Crime Act, value exceeds \$10,000-First degree(formerly CDR 426)

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 11/19/2020

Signature of Issuing Authority

Gary W. Reinhart
Judge Code: 5059

Judge's Address Lexington County Judicial Center
Lexington, SC 29072-
Judge's Telephone (803)785-2594

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

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ARREST WARRANT

2020A3210203195

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
County/  Municipality of  
Lexington

THE STATE  
against

Bria Chenial Watts

Address: [Redacted]  
Phone: [Redacted]  
Sex: F Race: B Height: 5 3 Weight: 204  
DL State: SC DL #: [Redacted]  
DOB: [Redacted] Agency ORI #: SCLED0000  
Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division  
Prosecuting Officer: Kevin N Blake - S00291  
Offense: Computer / Computer Crime Act, value exceeds \$10,000-First degree(formerly CDR 426)  
Offense Code: 3110  
Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-16-0020(2)

This warrant is CERTIFIED FOR SERVICE in the  
 County/  Municipality of

is to be arrested and brought before me to be dealt with according to the law. The accused

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ (L.S.)  
Signature of Judge

RETURN  
A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to defendant on Bria Chenial Watts  
[Signature]  
Signature of Constabular Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:  
General Sessions  
Mark H. Westbrook Judicial Center  
205 East Main Street  
Lexington, SC 29072

ORIGINAL ORIGINAL

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/  Municipality of  
Lexington

Personally appeared before me the affiant Kevin N Blake

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Bria Chenial Watts

did within this county and state on or about 6/1/2018

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

in the following particulars: violate the criminal laws of the

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Computer / Computer Crime Act, value exceeds \$10,000-First degree(formerly CDR 426)

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:

During the period on or about June 2018 to July 2020, Bria Chenail Watts, did willfully, knowingly and unlawfully violate Computer Crimes Act 1st Degree, in that she did without authorization, for an unauthorized purpose, provide fraudulent information to the Victim, Charter Communications to alter, or modify data contained in the computer system, computer program or computer network, to create fraudulent customer accounts, for her financial gain. The information Watts gave the Victim, generated work orders for equipment and services from the Victim's property located in West Columbia, SC, Lexington County, SC. During the above period, Watts provided false personal identification and false payment information to obtain property and services, which as of December 2019 deprived the Victim of approx. \$594,609. The above is substantiated by account data logs provided by the Victim, and data from Watt's Facebook and Cash-App/Square Inc accounts..

Signature of Affiant

[Signature]

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/  Municipality of  
Lexington

Affiant's Address P. O. Box 21398

Columbia, SC 29221-

Affiant's Telephone

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 6/1/2018 defendant Bria Chenial Watts

did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of  County/  Municipality of Lexington

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Computer / Computer Crime Act, value exceeds \$10,000-First degree(formerly CDR 426)

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 11/19/2020

Signature of Issuing Judge (L.S.)  
[Signature]  
Gary W. Reinhart  
Judge Code: 5059

Judge's Address Lexington County Judicial Center

Judge's Telephone Lexington, SC 29072- (803)785-2594

Issuing Court:  Magistrate  Municipal  Circuit

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ARREST WARRANT

2020A3210203197

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
Lexington

THE STATE  
against

Courtney Katerri Smith

Address: [Redacted]  
Phone: [Redacted]  
Sex: F Race: B Height: 5 6 Weight: 213  
DL State: SC DL #: [Redacted] SSN: [Redacted]  
DOB: [Redacted] 1988 Agency ORI #: SCLIED0000  
Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division  
Prosecuting Officer: Kevin N Blake - S00291  
Offense: Computer / Computer Crime Act, value exceeds \$10,000-First degree(formerly CDR 426)  
Offense Code: 3110  
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County/ Municipality of  
is to be arrested and brought before me to be dealt with according to the law.

Date: (L.S.)  
Signature of Judge

RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to defendant  
on 03/02/2021 Courtney Katerri Smith

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer  
RETURN WARRANT TO:  
General Sessions  
Mark H. Westbrook Judicial Center  
205 East Main Street  
Lexington, SC 29072

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
County/ Municipality of  
Lexington

Personally appeared before me the affiant Kevin N Blake

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Courtney Katerri Smith  
did within this county and state on or about 6/1/2018

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in the following particulars:

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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:

During the period on or about June 2018 to December 2019, Courtney Katerri Smith, did willfully, knowingly and unlawfully violate Computer Crimes Act 1st Degree, in that she did without authorization, for an unauthorized purpose, provide fraudulent information to the Victim, Charter Communications to alter, or modify data contained in the computer system, computer program or computer network, to create fraudulent customer accounts, for her financial gain. The information Smith gave the Victim, generated work orders for equipment and services from the Victim's property located in West Columbia, SC, Lexington County, SC. During the above period, Smith provided false personal identification and false payment information to obtain property and services, which as of December 2019 deprived the Victim of approx. \$128,965. The above is substantiated by account data logs provided by the Victim, and data from Smith's Facebook and CashApp/Square Inc. accounts.

Signature of Affiant

[Signature]

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
County/ Municipality of  
Lexington

Affiant's Address P. O. Box 21398  
Columbia, SC 29221-  
Affiant's Telephone

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 6/1/2018 defendant Courtney Katerri Smith  
did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of  
County/ Municipality of Lexington ) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Computer / Computer Crime Act, value exceeds \$10,000-First degree(formerly CDR 426)

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Sworn to and subscribed before me  
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