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**FOR IMMEDIATE  
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### **EDGEFIELD COUNTY WOMAN CHARGED WITH EMBEZZLEMENT**

Agents of the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division Thursday arrested an Edgfield County woman for taking approximately \$5,500 from the Edgefield County Hospital Board for her personal use.

Connie Marie Sutton, 67, was charged with embezzlement of public funds, value less than \$10,000.

The SLED investigation was requested by the Edgefield County Sheriff's Office.

Sutton was booked at the Edgefield County Detention Center.

The case will be prosecuted by the 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit Solicitor's Office.

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Warrant attached

ARREST WARRANT

2021A19101001775

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/ Municipality of

Edgefield

THE STATE against

Connie Marie Sutton

Address:

Phone: Sex: F Race: W Height: 5 9 Weight: 153

DL State: SC DL #: Agency ORI #: SCLIED00000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: John R Bancroft - S00162

Offense: Embezzlement / Embezzlement of public funds, value less than \$10,000

Offense Code: 3460

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-13-0210(A)

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

(L.S.)

Signature of Judge

Date:

RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to defendant on 4-29-2021

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions 129 Courthouse Square P O Box 34 Edgefield, SC 29824

ORIGINAL ORIGINAL

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/ Municipality of

Edgefield

AFFIDAVIT

ORIGINAL

Form Approved by S.C. Attorney General April 21, 2003 SCCA 518

Personally appeared before me the affiant John R Bancroft who being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Connie Marie Sutton did within this county and state on or about 1/1/2020 violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of Edgefield) in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Embezzlement / Embezzlement of public funds, value less than \$10,000

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:

That on several dates from January 2020 through June 2020, Connie Sutton, as the Chairperson of the Edgefield County Hospital Board of Trustees, located at 300 Ridge Medical Plaza, Edgefield, SC, did willfully and unlawfully commit the crime of Embezzlement, in that she did withdraw and use for her personal use money from the Edgefield County Hospital Board operating account. The money taken Sutton totaled approximately \$5,500. Sutton was in a position of trust as the Chairperson of the Edgefield County Hospital Board and performed various administrative and financial duties. Facts to establish the above charge against the defendant, Connie Sutton, are based on information obtained from the documents from the Edgefield County Hospital, the Edgefield County Hospital Board, witness statements, and the defendant's interview admitting to the crime. All this done against the law, peace and dignity of the State of South Carolina.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/ Municipality of

Edgefield

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:

on or about 1/1/2020 It appearing from the above affidavit that there are reasonable grounds to believe that I did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of Edgefield) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Embezzlement / Embezzlement of public funds, value less than \$10,000

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 sworn to and subscribed before me on 4/28/2021

Judge's Address Post Office Box 664 Edgefield, SC 29824

Judge's Telephone (803)637-4090

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