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FLORENCE COUNTY WOMAN CHARGED WITH ABUSE OF VULNERABLE ADULT AND ASSAULT

Agents of the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division Thursday arrested a Florence County woman in connection to an incident where a nurse at the Pee Dee Regional Center in Florence County struck a resident at the facility multiple times.

Jo Anne James Graves, 63, was charged with abuse of vulnerable adult, along with third degree assault and battery.

The SLED investigation was requested by the Pee Dee Regional Center.

Graves was booked at the Florence County Detention Center.

The case will be prosecuted by the 12th Circuit Solicitor's Office.

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Warrants attached

ARREST WARRANT

2021A2110100477

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
County: Florence Municipality of

Florence

THE STATE

74-21-0089

Jo Ann James Graves

against

Address:

Florence, SC 29506-3553

Phone:

Sex: F

Race: B

Height: 6

Weight: 224

DL State: SC

DL #: 1957

DOB: [redacted]

Agency ORI #: SCLEDD0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Russell S Causey - S00330

Offense: Assault / Assault & Battery 3rd degree

Offense Code: 3414

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-03-0600(EX11)

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 Jo Ann James Graves

June 19, 2021

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

Florence Magistrate Court
180 North Irbv Street (M S C-W)
Florence, SC 295013456

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
 County/ Municipality of

Florence

Personally appeared before me the affiant Russell S Causey

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Jo Ann James Graves

did within this county and state on or about 2/2/2021

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of County/ Municipality of Florence)
in the following particulars: violate the criminal laws of the

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Assault / Assault & Battery 3rd 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:

On May 2, 2021, the defendant, Joann Graves, was working as a Licensed Practical Nurse, for the Pee Dee Regional Center, located at 714 National Cemetery Rd., Florence, with Florence County, South Carolina. The defendant did strike the victim, [redacted] in the face, head, and arm multiple times. Also, Graves shoved [redacted] head into a wall and against a table multiple times. The victim is a resident at the Pee Dee Regional Center and is a vulnerable adult. These allegations were corroborated through interviews, surveillance video, and information provided to the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division. All against the law, peace, and dignity of the State of South Carolina. CS#74-21-0089

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/ Municipality of

Florence

Affiant's Address P. O. Box 21398

Columbia, SC 29221-

Affiant's Telephone (843)896-7654

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 2/2/2021

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

as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Assault / Assault & Battery 3rd 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 6/8/2021

Signature of Issuing Judge

Peter F. Becker

Judge Code: 7282

Judge's Address

180 North Irbv Street (MSC-W)

Florence, SC 29501-

Judge's Telephone

(843)665-0031

Issuing Court: Magistrate

Municipal

Circuit

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Florence County/ Municipality of

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DOB: [redacted] 1957 Agency ORI #: SCLEDD0000
Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division
Prosecuting Officer: Russell S Causey - S00330
Offense: Abuse / Abuse of vulnerable adult

Offense Code: 2655
Code/Ordinance Sec: 43-35-0085(B)

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dealt with according to the law. The accused
Date: Signature of Judge (L.S.)

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to
defendant on Jo Ann James Graves
on May 10, 2021
Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer
RETURN WARRANT TO:
General Sessions Court
181 North Irby Street, Suite 1100
Florence, SC 29501

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