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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:
February 9, 2022

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HEMINGWAY POLICE OFFICER CHARGED WITH VOLUNTARY MANSLAUGHTER

Today, SLED agents arrested Hemingway Police Officer Cassandra Dollard in Berkeley County and charged her with Voluntary Manslaughter.

Agents from the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division were requested to investigate an incident from February 6, 2022, where an unarmed man was shot once during an encounter with an officer from the Hemingway Police Department following a pursuit. The subject was transported to the hospital where he died as a result of his injuries. The subject was identified by the Georgetown County Coroner as Robert Langley, 46.

SLED conducts law enforcement officer involved shooting (OIS) investigations at the request of the agency involved in the incident. When requested to investigate an OIS, SLED's goal is to conduct a thorough, independent criminal investigation as timely as is possible under the circumstances. SLED agents will conduct interviews with all potential witnesses in this matter. Further, SLED will collect all relevant evidence and will forensically test such evidence as needed.

This is an ongoing investigation. As such, no other information about the case will be disclosed by SLED at this time.

Dollard was transported and booked into the Georgetown County Detention Center on Wednesday, February 9, 2022.

As with all officer involved shootings, SLED worked closely with the circuit solicitor's office. This case will be prosecuted by the 15th Circuit Solicitor's Office.

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Warrants Attached



An Accredited Law Enforcement Agency



ARREST WARRANT

2022A2210500048

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [] Municipality of

Georgetown

THE STATE

33-22-0015

against

Cassandra Ann Dollard

Address: [Redacted]

Phone: [Redacted] SSN: [Redacted]

Sex: F Race: B Height: 5 8 Weight: 250

DL State: SC DL #: [Redacted]

DOB: [Redacted] 969 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Ashley E Jolda - S00269

Offense: Manslaughter / Voluntary manslaughter

Offense Code: 0217

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-03-0050

This warrant is CERTIFIED FOR SERVICE in the

[X] County/ [] Municipality of

Berkeley The accused

is to be arrested and brought before me to be

dealt with according to the law.

[Signature] (L.S.)

Date: 9 Feb 22

RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to

defendant Cassandra A. Dollard

on 2-9-20

[Signature] Signature of Constable or Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions
P. O. Box 479
401 Cleland Street, Room 115
Georgetown, SC 29442

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [] Municipality of

Georgetown

Personally appeared before me the affiant Ashley E Jolda who

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Cassandra Ann Dollard

did within this county and state on or about 2/2/2022 violate the criminal laws of the

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of [X] County/ [] Municipality of Georgetown)

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Manslaughter / Voluntary manslaughter

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:

At approximately 1:24 a.m., on February 6, 2022, Cassandra Dollard, an Officer with the Hemingway Police Department, initiated a traffic stop on Robert Junior Langley in the Town of Hemingway for disregarding a stop sign. Langley failed to stop for Dollard and a vehicle pursuit ensued. During the pursuit, Langley disregarded traffic signals and travelled at speeds in excess of 100 mph. The pursuit continued on Highway 261 into Georgetown County. At approximately 1:30 a.m., and approximately eight miles from the Town of Hemingway, Langley drove his vehicle into the ditch at the intersection of School House Road and Choppee Road (SC Hwy 261) in Georgetown County, South Carolina. Langley, un-armed, attempted to exit the vehicle through the front passenger door. In a statement to Agents, Dollard claimed she was in fear for her safety and due to that fear, discharged her department-issued firearm once, striking Langley in the chest. Langley succumbed to the injuries. See attached.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [] Municipality of

Georgetown

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 2/2/2022 defendant Cassandra Ann Dollard

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

[X] County/ [] Municipality of Georgetown) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Manslaughter / Voluntary manslaughter

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 2/9/2022

[Signature] (L.S.)

Signature of Issuing Judge

Isaac Lester Pyatt

Judge Code: 5899

Judge's Address 333 Cleland Street

Georgetown, SC 29442

Judge's Telephone (843)545-3381

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

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
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COUNTY OF GEORGETOWN) ARREST WARRANT AFFIDAVIT

DEFENDANT: Cassandra Ann Dollard

DOB: [REDACTED] 1969 RACE: Black SEX: Female
HAIR: Black EYES: Brown HEIGHT: 5'08" WEIGHT: 250
SSN: [REDACTED] DL STATE: SC DL # [REDACTED]
ADDRESS: [REDACTED]

Personally appeared before me the affiant, Special Agent Ashley Jolda who
being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Cassandra Ann Dollard
did within this county and state on or about February 6, 2022 violate the criminal laws
of the State of South Carolina in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE:

Voluntary Manslaughter - §16-3-50 - (CDR CODE 0217)

PROBABLE CAUSE:

I further state that there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit

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SLED Case Number: 33-22-0015

Sworn to and subscribed before me on the)
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9 day of FEB, 2022)
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[Signature])
Signature of Judge)

[Signature])
Affiant)
Special Agent Ashley Jolda)
South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED)
4400 Broad River Road Columbia, SC 29221)
(t) 803-896-7000)

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