



## South Carolina Law Enforcement Division

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### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

February 12, 2022

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### **ORANGEBURG MAN ARRESTED FOR MURDER**

Agents of the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division arrested Kamel Daquan Thomas, 36, on Thursday and charged him with Murder and Possession of a Weapon During the Commission of a Violent Crime.

The request for the SLED investigation was made by Chief Kevin Pendarvis of the Bowman Police Department.

Thomas was booked into the Orangeburg County Detention Center.

The case will be prosecuted by the 1<sup>st</sup> Circuit Solicitor's Office.

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Warrants Attached

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ARREST WARRANT

2022A3810700109

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of

Orangeburg

THE STATE 31-22-0020

against

Kamel Daquan Thomas

Address: [Redacted]

Phone: [Redacted] SSN [Redacted] Sex: M Race: B Height: 5 10 Weight: 200

DL State: SC DL #: [Redacted]

DOB: 1985 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Jomar B Albayalde - S00569

Offense: Murder / Murder

Offense Code: 0116

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-03-0010

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

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

(L.S.)

Signature of Judge

Date: [Redacted]

RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to defendant Kamel Thomas on 2/10/2022

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions 151 Docket Street P. O. Box 9000 Orangeburg, SC 29116

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of

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Personally appeared before me the affiant Jomar B Albayalde who

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Kamel Daquan Thomas

did within this county and state on or about 2/3/2022 violate the criminal laws of the

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

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Murder / Murder

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 2-3-22, while in the area of 870 Rail Street, Bowman, SC in the County and State aforesaid, the defendant, Kamel D. Thomas, did commit the offense of violation section 16-3-10 of the SC Code of Laws, 1976 as amended, Murder, in that he did willfully, unlawfully, feloniously, and with malice aforethought, shoot the victim, Stephan Harley, and that this directly caused the death of the victim. On 2-3-22, Bowman PD responded to the incident location for a shooting. The victim was found lying on the ground with multiple gunshot wounds and was subsequently pronounced deceased at the scene. The defendant was also injured from the incident and sustained gunshot wounds. The defendant drove away from the scene in his vehicle but was later airlifted from the area of 3294 Charleston Highway, Orangeburg, SC. The case revealed witnesses, to be named later, who provided the defendant did shoot the victim. The above is true and believable based on the investigation.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of

Orangeburg

Affiant's Address 104 Simmons Street

Walterboro, SC 29488-

Affiant's Telephone (843)782-3822

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 2/3/2022 defendant Kamel Daquan Thomas

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

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

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Murder / Murder

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 2/10/2022

Signature of Issuing Judge

Dennis Gary Doremus II

Judge Code: 7436

Judge's Address Post Office Box 9000

Orangeburg, SC 29116-

Judge's Telephone (803)247-2011

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

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DOB: [Redacted] 985 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Jomar B Albayalde - S00569

Offense: Weapons / Poss. weapon during violent crime, if not also sentenced to life without parole or death

Offense Code: 0549

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-23-0490

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