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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:
February 16, 2022

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FORMER PACOLET POLICE OFFICER CHARGED WITH MISCONDUCT IN OFFICE AND ASSAULT AND BATTERY 3RD DEGREE

Agents of the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division arrested Benjamin Perry Levi, on Wednesday and charged him with Misconduct in Office and Assault and Battery 3rd Degree.

The request for the SLED investigation was made by the Pacolet Police Department.

Levi was booked into the Spartanburg County Detention Center.

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

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Warrants Attached
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ARREST WARRANT

2022A4210100283

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [] Municipality of

Spartanburg

THE STATE

34-21-0040

against:

Benjamin Perry Levi

Address:

Phone: SSN: [REDACTED]

Sex: M Race: W Height: 5 11 Weight: 275

DL State: SC DL #: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED] 1979 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Melissa S Wallace - S00837

Offense: Misconduct / Misconduct in office, malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasance

Offense Code: 0819

Code/Ordinance Sec: 17-25-0030

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:

RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to defendant Benjamin Perry Levi on February 16, 2022

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions 180 Magnolia Street P O Box 3483 Spartanburg, SC 29304

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

[X] County/ [] Municipality of)

Spartanburg)

Personally appeared before me the affiant Melissa S Wallace who

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Benjamin Perry Levi

did within this county and state on or about 8/30/2020 violate the criminal laws of the

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

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Misconduct / Misconduct in office, malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasance

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 August 30, 2020, in the county of Spartanburg, one Benjamin Perry Levi did commit the crime of Misconduct / Misconduct in office, malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasance in that he did fail to faithfully fulfill his duties as a Pacolet Police Department Police Officer by assaulting and unlawfully detaining a juvenile victim, [REDACTED] within Spartanburg County, while on duty as a Pacolet Police Officer. Probable cause based on victim and witness statements, suspect statement, SLED investigation, and video. TLW

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

[X] County/ [] Municipality of)

Spartanburg)

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 8/30/2020 defendant Benjamin Perry Levi

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

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

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Misconduct / Misconduct in office, malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasance

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 2/15/2022)

Signature of Issuing Judge (L.S.))

David James Turner)

Judge Code: 5079)

Judge's Address Spartanburg County Judicial Center

Spartanburg, SC 29306-2335

Judge's Telephone (864)596-2564

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

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Offense Code: 3414

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-03-0600(E)(1)

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That on August 30, 2020, in the county of Spartanburg, one Benjamin Perry Levi did intentionally commit battery upon juvenile victim by grabbing and tackling the juvenile victim, [Redacted] within Spartanburg County. [Redacted] reported sustaining scratches and bruises from the incident. Probable cause based on victim and witness statements, suspect statement, SLED investigation, and video. TLW

Signature of Affiant

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