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SLED CHARGES LAURENS COUNTY WOMAN WITH ARSON

Agents from the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) charged Marie Sanders, 34, with Arson on Tuesday. Details from the investigation are included in the attached warrant.

SLED was requested to investigate by the Laurens County Sheriff's Office.

Sanders was booked at the Laurens County Detention Center.

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

A copy of this news release is also on SLED's website: www.sled.sc.gov

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An Accredited Law Enforcement Agency



ARREST WARRANT

2022A3010100307

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [] Municipality of

Laurens

THE STATE

35-22-0028

against

Marie Ann Sanders

Address:

Laurens, SC 29360-2140

Phone: SSN: [REDACTED]

Sex: F Race: Height: 5 1 Weight: 120

DL State: SC DL #: [REDACTED]

DOB: 1988 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Joshua C Peden - S00533

Offense: Arson / Arson - Second degree

Offense Code: 2551

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-11-0110(B)

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 Sanders Marie Ann

on 5-4-22 (5) 5-3-22

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Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions
100 Hillcrest Square
P.O. Box 287
Laurens, SC 29360

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [] Municipality of

Laurens

Personally appeared before me the affiant Joshua C Peden who

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Marie Ann Sanders

did within this county and state on or about 2/21/2022 violate the criminal laws of the

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

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Arson / Arson - Second 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 February 21, 2022, the Laurens County Fire Service responded to a residential structure fire at [REDACTED] in Laurens, SC. Through the course of the investigation, the defendant, Marie Ann Sanders, was identified as being at the property immediately prior to the fire. On May 2, 2022, the defendant was interviewed and confessed that she did willfully and maliciously set fire to, burned, or caused to be burned, the dwelling/house, which resulted in damage. This property belongs to the victim, [REDACTED]. This offense did occur within the county of Laurens, South Carolina.

Signature of Affiant

[Handwritten Signature] #1140

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [] Municipality of

Laurens

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 2/21/2022 defendant Marie Ann Sanders

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

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

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Arson / Arson - Second 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 5/ 3/2022

[Handwritten Signature] (s.)

Signature of Issuing Judge

Tracy Epperson Richards

Judge Code: 7394

Judge's Address

Laurens, SC 29360-

Judge's Telephone (864)681-5689

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

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

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