



## South Carolina Law Enforcement Division

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

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### **SLED CHARGES DARLINGTON COUNTY MAN WITH BURGLARY, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, AND UNLAWFUL COMMUNICATION**

Agents from the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) arrested Nicholas Vaughn Hodges, 22, on Saturday for Burglary First Degree, Domestic Violence Second Degree, and Unlawful Communication.

Details from the investigation are in the attached warrants.

SLED agents were requested to investigate by the Darlington County Sheriff's Office.

Hodges was booked at the Darlington County Detention Center.

The case will be prosecuted by the 4<sup>th</sup> Circuit Solicitor's Office.

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*An Accredited Law Enforcement Agency*



ARREST WARRANT

2022A1610200071

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of

Darlington

THE STATE against

Nicholas Vaughn Hodges

Address: [Redacted] Hartsville, SC 29550-5131

Phone: [Redacted] SSN: [Redacted] Sex: M Race: W Height: 5 10 Weight: 175

DL State: SC DL #: [Redacted] DOB: [Redacted] 1999 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division Prosecuting Officer: Michael S Gifford - S00669

Offense: Burglary / Burglary (After June 20, 1985) - First degree

Offense Code: 0079 Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-11-0311

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 Nicholas V. Hodges on July 1st 2022

[Signature] Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO: General Sessions 1 Public Square 5Th Floor Darlington, SC 29532

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of

Darlington

Personally appeared before me the affiant Michael S Gifford who

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Nicholas Vaughn Hodges did within this county and state on or about 6/29/2022 violate the criminal laws of the

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of [X] County/ [ ] Municipality of Darlington) in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Burglary / Burglary (After June 20, 1985) - First 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 or about June 29, 2022, Nicholas Hodges did, within the county of Darlington, commit the offense of Burglary First Degree, to wit: Hodges entered the victim [Redacted] dwelling without permissoin after being told by the victim not to come over. Hodges entered the dwelling at approximately 12:00 a.m. using a financial transaction card to unlock the door, thus he was trespassing. The victim lives at [Redacted]. The Affiant's belief is based upon the victim's statements. This being in violation of Section 16-11-0311, South Carolina Code of Laws.

Signature of Affiant

[Signature]

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of

Darlington

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 6/29/2022 defendant Nicholas Vaughn Hodges

did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of [X] County/ [ ] Municipality of Darlington) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Burglary / Burglary (After June 20, 1985) - First 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 7/1/2022

[Signature] (L.S.) Signature of Issuing Judge

Deatrice Barrett Curtis (Magistrate) Judge Code: 5063

Judge's Address 115 Camp Road Darlington, SC 29532-6220

Judge's Telephone (843)398-4340

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

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ARREST WARRANT

2022A1610200070

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of

Darlington

THE STATE

against

Nicholas Vaughn Hodges

Address:

Hartsville, SC 29550-5131

Phone: [ ] SSN: [ ] Sex: M Race: W Height: 5 10 Weight: 175

DL State: SC DL #: [ ] DOB: [ ] 1999 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Michael S Gifford - S00669

Offense: Domestic / Domestic Violence, 2nd degree

Offense Code: 3812

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-25-0020(C)

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

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(L.S.)

Signature of Judge

Date:

RETURN

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Nicholas V. Hodges July 1st 2022

[Signature] Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions 1 Public Square 5Th Floor Darlington, SC 29532

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did within this county and state on or about 6/29/2022

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

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Domestic / Domestic Violence, 2nd 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 or about June 29, 2022, Nicholas Hodges did, within the county of Darlington, commit the offense of Domestic Violence Second Degree, to wit: While at the victim's residence, Hodges offered to cause physical harm or injury to [ ] in the presence of or while being perceived by a minor child [ ], thereby creating a reasonable fear of imminent danger. The Affiant's belief is based upon the victim's statements and an audio/video recording. In the recording Hodges said to [ ] "I wanna slam your head into the counter and watch your teeth go down your throat." Hodges also said, I will beat the fuck out of you." The victim lives at [ ] This being in violation of Section 16-25-0020 (C), South Carolina Code of Laws.

Signature of Affiant

[Signature]

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of

Darlington

Affiant's Address P. O. Box 21398

Columbia, SC 29221-

Affiant's Telephone

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ARREST WARRANT

2022A1610200072

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of

Darlington

THE STATE against

Nicholas Vaughn Hodges

Address: [redacted] Hartsville, SC 29550-5131

Phone: [redacted] SSN: [redacted] Sex: M Race: W Height: 5 10 Weight: 175

DL State: SC DL #: [redacted] DOB: [redacted] 1999 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Michael S Gifford - S00669

Offense: Telephone / Unlawful communication (after 07/20/01)

Offense Code: 2553

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-17-0430(A)

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DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Telephone / Unlawful communication (after 07/20/01)

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 or about June 29, 2022, Nicholas Hodges did, within the county of Darlington, commit the offense of Telephone/Unlawful Communication, to wit: Hodges threatened [redacted] victim [redacted] via text when he said, "Imma fuck you up, you keep doing this." Hodges also texted, "Cause you gone keep going behind my back taking him to see [redacted] and I promise [redacted] and you will get hurt." The Affiant's belief is based upon the victim's statements and screen shots of her text messages with Hodges. The victim lives at [redacted] This being in violation of Section 16-17-0430 (b), South Carolina Code of Laws.

Signature of Affiant

[Signature]

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of

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