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SLED CHARGES FORMER EMPLOYEE AT MIDLANDS REGIONAL CENTER WITH ASSAULT & BATTERY 3RD DEGREE

Agents with the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) charged Michael Robert Short, 56, on December 6, 2022, with Assault & Battery 3rd degree.

SLED was requested to investigate by the South Carolina Department of Disabilities and Special Needs. Details can be found in the attached warrant.

Short was booked at the Alvin S. Glenn Detention Center.

The case will be prosecuted by the 5th Circuit Solicitor's Office.

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ARREST WARRANT

2022A4010700123

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [] Municipality of

Richland / Upper Township Magistrate

THE STATE 74-22-0149 R3

against

Michael Robert Short

Address: [Redacted]
Lamar, SC 29069-

Phone: [Redacted] SSN: [Redacted]
Sex: M Race: W Height: 6 Weight: 190

DL State: SC DL #: [Redacted]
DOB: [Redacted] 1966 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Ashley L Burch - S02471

Offense: Assault / Assault & Battery 3rd degree

Offense Code: 3414
Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-03-0600(E)(1)

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 Michael Robert Short on December 6, 2022

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

Upper Township Magistrate
7615 A Wilson Boulevard
Columbia, SC 29203

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
[X] County/ [] Municipality of
Richland / Upper Township Magistrate

Affiant Ashley L Burch who personally appeared before me the affiant being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Michael Robert Short did within this county and state on or about 9/14/2022 violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of [X] County/ [] Municipality of Richland / Upper Township Magistrate) in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Assault / Assault & Battery 3rd 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 September 14, 2022, the defendant, Michael Robert Short, was working as a Direct Support Professional, for Midlands Regional Center, located at 8301 Farrow Road, Columbia, SC, within Richland County, South Carolina. The defendant did push the victim, causing to fall backwards onto the floor. The victim is a resident at Midlands Regional Center and is a vulnerable adult. These allegations were corroborated through interviews, surveillance videos, and information provided to the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division. All against the law, peace, and dignity of the State of South Carolina. CS #74-22-0149. Affiant and others are witness to prove same.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
[X] County/ [] Municipality of
Richland / Upper Township Magistrate

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 9/14/2022 defendant Michael Robert Short did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of [X] County/ [] Municipality of Richland / Upper Township Magistrate) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Assault / Assault & Battery 3rd 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 11/30/2022

Signature of Issuing Judge
Tomothy Clinton Edmond

Judge Code: 7154

Judge's Address 7615 A Wilson Boulevard
Columbia, SC 29203-
Judge's Telephone (803)576-2570

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

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