



## South Carolina Law Enforcement Division

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
February 17, 2023

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### **SLED CHARGES BAMBERG COUNTY MAN WITH MURDER**

Agents with the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) charged Xavier Emmanuel Jones, 31, of Bamberg, SC, on February 9, 2023, with Murder.

Details can be found in the attached warrant.

Jones was booked at the Bamberg County Detention Center.

The case will be prosecuted by the 2<sup>nd</sup> Circuit Solicitor's Office.

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ARREST WARRANT

2023A0510100036

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/  Municipality of

Bamberg

THE STATE against

Xavier Emmanuel Jones

Address: Bamberg, SC 29003-

Sex: M Race: B Height: 6 1 Weight: 150

DL State: DL #:

DOB: 1991 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Shawn M Murray - S00344

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:

RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to defendant Xavier Emmanuel Jones on 2/9/2023

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

Bamberg Magistrate 1234 North Street Post Office Box 187 Bamberg, SC 29003

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/  Municipality of

Bamberg

Personally appeared before me the affiant Shawn M Murray who

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Xavier Emmanuel Jones

did within this county and state on or about 2/ 8/2023 violate the criminal laws of the

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of  County/  Municipality of Bamberg )

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:

See Attached Affidavit.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/  Municipality of

Bamberg

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/ 8/2023 defendant Xavier Emmanuel Jones

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

County/  Municipality of Bamberg ) 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/ 9/2023

Signature of Issuing Judge (L.S.)

Richard Craig Threant

Judge Code: 7035

Judge's Address 2873 Main Highway

Bamberg, SC 29003

Judge's Telephone (803)245-3016

Issuing Court:  Magistrate  Municipal  Circuit

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

AFFIDAVIT

# STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

## COUNTY OF BAMBERG

## AFFIDAVIT

Personally appeared before me, a magistrate of this county, one Special Agent Shawn Murray of SLED who first being duly sworn, deposes and says that **XAVIER EMMANUEL JAVONTE JONES** (Black male, height: 6'1 / weight: approximately 150 / SCDL# [REDACTED] / DOB [REDACTED] 1991 / SSN [REDACTED]) did within this county and state on or about February 08, 2023, violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina in the following particulars:

### DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE

#### MURDER

16-3-10

The affiant states there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit the crime(s) set forth, and that such probable cause is based upon the following facts:

That on February 8, 2023, the defendant Xavier Jones; did willingly, knowingly, and feloniously violate S.C. statute of *MURDER 16-3-10* with malice aforethought, while at [REDACTED] in the town of Bamberg within the County of Bamberg, SC in the following particulars:

The defendant admitted to striking the victim several times in the head. The defendant also choked the victim, and kicked her in the head, leaving the victim lying on the ground, where she was later pronounced dead by the Bamberg County Coroner.

The above information is true and accurate and was obtained through witness statements and the investigation of **Special Agent Shawn Murray** of the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division.

Sworn to and subscribed before me  
this 9<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2023

  
Affiant

104 Simmons Street  
Walterboro, S.C. 29488  
(843) 782-3822

Signature of Judge 