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SLED CHARGES TWO PEOPLE IN HORRY COUNTY WITH HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Agents with the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) charged Brittany Marquita Rutledge Jackson, 25, and Lashon Alvin Ladson, 37, of Longs, SC, on February 24, 2023 with Trafficking in Persons.

Details can be found in the attached warrants.

Jackson and Ladson were booked at Horry County Detention Center.

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

National Human Trafficking Hotline 1-888-373-7888 or text: 233733 (BeFree)

Learn about South Carolina's Human Trafficking Task Force:
scag.gov/human-trafficking/

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ARREST WARRANT

2023A2610900028

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [] Municipality of

Horry

THE STATE

54-22-5273

against

Brittany Marquita Rutledge Jackson

Address:

Longs, SC 29568-8390

Phone: [] SSN []

Sex: F Race: B Height: 5 5 Weight: 285

DL State: SC DL #: []

DOB: []/1998 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Logan B Fey - S00991

Offense: Trafficking / Trafficking in Persons, recruiting, enticing, soliciting, harboring, transporting, or

Offense Code: 3677

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-03-2020(A)

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 on BRITTANY JACKSON 2-24-23

s/a [Signature] Signature of (Constable) Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions PO Box 677 1301 2nd Avenue Conway, SC 29528

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [] Municipality of

Horry

Personally appeared before me the affiant Logan B Fey who

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Brittany Marquita Rutledge Jackson

did within this county and state on or about 8/16/2022 violate the criminal laws of the

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

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Trafficking / Trafficking in Persons, recruiting, enticing, soliciting, harboring, transporting, or attempts - 1st Offense

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 WARRANT AFFIADVIT " of s/a L. Fey- South Carolina Law Enforcement Division SLED Case # 54-22-5273

Signature of Affiant

s/a [Signature]

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [] Municipality of

Horry

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 8/16/2022 defendant Brittany Marquita Rutledge Jackson

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

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

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Trafficking / Trafficking in Persons, recruiting, enticing, soliciting, harboring, transporting, or attempts - 1st Offense

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 2/24/2023 (L.S.)

Signature of Issuing Judge

Christopher John Arakas (Magistrate)

Judge Code: 5080

Judge's Address 1201 21st Avenue North

Myrtle Beach, SC 29577-

Judge's Telephone ((843)-915-x 5145

Issuing Court: [X] 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 HORRY)

WARRANT AFFIDAVIT
Warrant # 2023A2610900028

DEFENDANT: NAME: Brittany Marquita Rutledge Jackson
DOB: [REDACTED] 1998 RACE: Black SEX: FEMALE SSN: [REDACTED]
HEIGHT: 5'05" EIGHT: 285 HAIR: BROWN EYES: BROWN DL: [REDACTED]
ADDRESS: [REDACTED] Longs, SC 29568 PHONE: UNK

Personally appeared before me the affiant, S/A Logan Fey, whom being duly sworn and says that defendant: **Brittany Marquita Rutledge Jackson** did within this County and State on or about the date of **August 16, 2022**, violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Trafficking in Persons – 1st Offense (CDR 3677)
CODE SECTION: 16-03-2020 (A)

PROBABLE CAUSE:

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 August 16, 2022, the defendant, Brittany Marquita Rutledge Jackson, did the following: recruit, entice, solicit, isolate, harbor, transport, provide, obtain, or so attempts, a victim, knowing that the victim would be subjected to, or for the purposes of, sex trafficking, forced labor or services, for the purposes of performing commercial sexual acts for compensation.

That the defendant did know that the victim (L.D.) was over the age of eighteen, was homeless, and addicted to narcotics. The defendant continued to subject L. D. to a human sex trafficking scheme that she participated in by purchasing the hotel room and posting commercial sex ads of L. D., which included the victim in various stages of nudity. The defendant knew that L. D. was being exploited for narcotics through force, fraud and coercion and that she did not want to engage in commercial sex. The defendant and her co-defendant, Lashon Alvin Ladson, benefited from the scheme by taking all of the proceeds gained from the commercial sex acts completed by L.D.

That these acts occurred at the Comfort Suites Hotel – Myrtle Beach, located at 710 Frontage Road E, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577.

All the above is believed to be true based upon the investigation of S/A Fey of the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division and the South Carolina Department of Social Services and its investigators. All is against the law, peace, and dignity of the State of South Carolina. This being in violation of Section 16-03-2020 (A), South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, as amended.

SLED CASE NUMBER: 54-22-5273

Sworn to and Subscribed before me)

24 day of Feb, 2023)
2022)
Signature of Judge)

S/A [Signature])
Affiant)
S/A Logan Fey)

Agency: SC Law Enforcement Division)
Address: 4400 Broad River Road, Columbia, SC 29210)
Phone: 803-737-9000)

ARREST WARRANT

2023A2610900029

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [] Municipality of

Horry

THE STATE 54-22-5273 against

Lashon Alvin Ladson

Address: Longs, SC 29568-8390

Phone: SSN: Sex: M Race: B Height: 5 10 Weight: 220

DL State: SC DL #: DOB: 1985 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division Prosecuting Officer: Logan B Fey - S00991

Offense: Trafficking / Trafficking in Persons, recruiting, enticing, soliciting, harboring, transporting, or

Offense Code: 3677 Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-03-2020(A)

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 LASHON LADSON on 2-24-23

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO: General Sessions PO Box 677 1301 2nd Avenue Conway, SC 29528

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA [X] County/ [] Municipality of Horry

AFFIDAVIT

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Personally appeared before me the affiant Logan B Fey who being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Lashon Alvin Ladson did within this county and state on or about 8/16/2022 violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of [X] County/ [] Municipality of Horry) in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Trafficking / Trafficking in Persons, recruiting, enticing, soliciting, harboring, transporting, or attempts - 1st Offense

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 WARRANT AFFIADVIT" of s/a L. Fey- South Carolina Law Enforcement Division SLED Case # 54-22-5273

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA [X] County/ [] Municipality of Horry

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 8/16/2022 defendant Lashon Alvin Ladson did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of [X] County/ [] Municipality of Horry) as set forth below:

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Signature of Issuing Judge Christopher John Arakas (Magistrate) Judge Code: 5080

(L.S.)

Judge's Address 1201 21st Avenue North Myrtle Beach, SC 29577- Judge's Telephone ((843)-915- x 5145

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

COUNTY OF HORRY)

WARRANT AFFIDAVIT
Warrant # 2023A2610900029

DEFENDANT: NAME: Lashon Alvin Ladson
DOB: [REDACTED] 1985 RACE: BLACK SEX: MALE SSN: [REDACTED]
HEIGHT: 5'10" EIGHT: 220 HAIR: BROWN EYES: BROWN DL: [REDACTED]
ADDRESS: [REDACTED] Longs, SC 29568 PHONE: UNK

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PROBABLE CAUSE:

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:

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That the defendant did know that the victim (L.D.) was over the age of eighteen, was homeless, and addicted to narcotics. The defendant continued to subject L. D. to a human sex trafficking scheme that he participated in by providing narcotics to L. D. and instructing his co-defendant, Brittany Marquita Rutledge Jackson, to purchase the hotel room and post the commercial sex ads of L.D. The defendant then seized all the proceeds obtained from the commercial sex acts completed by L.D. for himself and his co-defendant. The defendant knowingly exploited L.D. through force, fraud, and/or coercion and took advantage of her homelessness and drug dependency.

That these acts occurred at the Comfort Suites Hotel – Myrtle Beach, located at 710 Frontage Road E, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577.

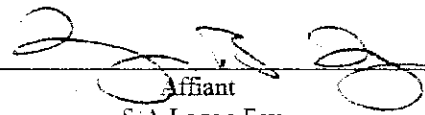
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