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SLED CHARGES DORCHESTER COUNTY DEPUTY WITH ASSAULT AND BATTERY 3RD DEGREE

Agents with the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) charged Jonathan Lemar Davis, 50, of Summerville, SC, on June 28, 2023, with Assault and Battery 3rd degree.

Details can be found in the attached warrant.

Davis was booked at the Barnwell County Detention Center.

The case will be prosecuted by the 2nd Judicial Circuit Solicitor's Office.

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An Accredited Law Enforcement Agency



ARREST WARRANT

2023A0620200031

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/ Municipality of

Blackville

THE STATE 31-23-0057 against

Jonathan Lemar Davis

Address: Summerville, SC 29483-8972

Phone: SSN: Sex: M Race: B Height: 5 10 Weight: 220 DL State: SC DL #: DOB: 1973 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000 Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division Prosecuting Officer: Peter T Rudofski - S00537 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 Jonathan Lemar Davis on June 28, 2023

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

Blackville Municipal 5997 Lartigue Street North Blackville, SC 29817

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA County/ Municipality of Blackville

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

AFFIDAVIT

Personally appeared before me the affiant Peter T Rudofski who being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Jonathan Lemar Davis did within this county and state on or about 6/1/2023 violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of County/ Municipality of Blackville) 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:

THAT ON OR ABOUT JUNE 1, 2023 THE DEFENDANT JONATHAN LEMAR DAVIS DID WILLINGLY, KNOWINGLY COMMIT THE OFFENSE OF ASSAULT AND BATTERY 3RD DEGREE WHILE AT IN BLACKVILLE SC IN THAT HE DID ASSAULT THE VICTIM BY PUSHING HIM FROM BEHIND. THIS ACT VIOLATES THE SC CODE OF LAWS 1976, AS AMENDED.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA County/ Municipality of Blackville

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 6/1/2023 defendant Jonathan Lemar Davis did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of County/ Municipality of Blackville) 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 6/26/2023 Signature of Issuing Judge (L.S.) Susan W Anderson Judge Code: 7235

Judge's Address P O Box 1205 Barnwell, SC 29812- Judge's Telephone (803)541-1035 Issuing Court: X Magistrate Municipal Circuit

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF BARNWELL

AFFIDAVIT
OCA# 31-23-0057

Personally appeared before me, a magistrate of this county, one Special Agent Peter Rudofski of SLED who first being duly sworn, deposes and says that **JONATHAN LEMAR DAVIS (black male, height: 5'10 / weight: approximately 220 / DOB [REDACTED] 1973)** did within this county and state on or about June 1, 2023, violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE

**Assault and Battery in the Third Degree
16-3-600**

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 or about June 1, 2023, the defendant Jonathan Lemar Davis; did willingly, knowingly violate S.C. statute of *Assault and Battery in the Third Degree 16-3-600*, while at [REDACTED] within the County of Barnwell, SC in the following particulars:

That on or about June 1, 2023, the defendant entered upon the land located at [REDACTED] Blackville SC. The defendant was attending a hearing to remove the victim from the [REDACTED] Church board. The defendant was subsequently involved in a verbal altercation with the victim, which led to the defendant running towards the victim and pushing the victim from behind. The victim identified the defendant, Jonathan Lemar Davis, as the one who assaulted him. The incident was recorded on the surveillance system located at the church across the parking lot. The affiant and others are witness to prove the same.

The above facts are believable based on the experience, knowledge and investigation conducted by the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division.

Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 26 day of June, 2023

Signature of Judge


Affiant

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