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SLED CHARGES LATTA MAN WITH ATTEMPTED MURDER, AND POSSESSION OF A WEAPON DURING A VIOLENT CRIME

Agents with the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) charged John Henry Pettiford, 28, on Friday, September 29, 2023, with Attempted Murder, and Possession of a Weapon During a Violent Crime.

Details can be found in the attached warrants.

Pettiford was booked at the Marion County Detention Center.

The case will be prosecuted by the 12th Circuit Solicitor's Office.

SLED was requested on Thursday, September 28, 2023, by the Marion County Sheriff's Office to investigate a shooting in Marion County. SLED's investigation remains active and ongoing.

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ARREST WARRANT

2023A3310100293

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/ Municipality of

Marion

THE STATE

33-23-0119

against

John Henery Pettiford

Address:

Latta, SC 29565-

Phone: SSN

Sex: M Race: B Height: 6 3 Weight: 185

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: 1994 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Eric J Johnson - S00636

Offense: Weapons / Poss. weapon during violent crime, if not also sentenced to life without parole or death

Offense Code: 0549

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-23-0490

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 John Henery Pettiford on 9/29/2023

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions
103 N. Main Street
PO Box 295
Marion, SC 29571

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Form Approved by S.C. Attorney General April 21, 2003 SCCA 516

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/ Municipality of

Marion

Personally appeared before me the affiant Eric J Johnson

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant John Henery Pettiford

did within this county and state on or about 9/28/2023 violate the criminal laws of the

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

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Weapons / Poss. weapon during violent crime, if not also sentenced to life without parole or death

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 September 28, 2023, in the county of Marion, one John Henery Pettiford did commit the crime of Weapons / Poss. weapon during violent crime, that he was involved in a physical altercation with victim at Jade Court, located in the Latta area of Marion County. During the altercation John Henery Pettiford presented a Glock model 19 handgun and shot multiple times. This being in violation of South Carolina Code of Laws 16-23-0490

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/ Municipality of

Marion

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 9/28/2023 defendant John Henery Pettiford

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

County/ Municipality of Marion) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Weapons / Poss. weapon during violent crime, if not also sentenced to life without parole or death

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 9/29/2023

Signature of Issuing Judge (L.S.)

Kelik Donald Fling

Judge Code: 7326

Judge's Address 2715 US Highway 76, Suite B

Mullins, SC 29574-

Judge's Telephone (843)423-8202 x 231

Issuing Court: Magistrate Municipal Circuit

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