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SLED CHARGES COLLETON COUNTY MAN WITH CRUELTY TO CHILDREN

Agents with the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) charged Jesse Phillip Brassell, 23, on Tuesday, December 19, 2023, with Cruelty to Children.

Details can be found in the attached warrant.

Brassell was booked at the Colleton County Detention Center.

SLED was requested to investigate by the Colleton County Sheriff's Office.

The case will be prosecuted by the Public Integrity Unit of the 14th Circuit Solicitor's Office. The Public Integrity Unit is a collaboration between the 14th and 1st Circuit Solicitor's Offices. It consists of senior-level attorneys and investigators, who work with law enforcement agencies to review officer involved shootings, alleged public corruption, and other use of force cases within their circuits.

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ARREST WARRANT

2023A1510100448

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/ Municipality of

Colleton

THE STATE against

Jesse Phillip Brassell

Address: Cottageville, SC 29435-3235

Phone: SSN: Sex: M Race: W Height: 5 7 Weight: 150 DL State: SC DL #: DOB: 2000 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Shawn M Murray - S00824

Offense: Children / Cruelty to children (Torture, deprivation)

Offense Code: 0078

Code/Ordinance Sec: 63-05-0080

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 Jesse Phillip Brassell on 19 December, 2023

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions P O Box 620 101 Hampton Street Walterboro, SC 29488

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA County/ Municipality of Colleton

AFFIDAVIT

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

Personally appeared before me the affiant Shawn M Murray who being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Jesse Phillip Brassell did within this county and state on or about 9/20/2023 violate the criminal laws of the

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of County/ Municipality of Colleton) in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Children / Cruelty to children (Torture, deprivation)

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 20, 2023, the defendant Jesse Brassell; did willingly, knowingly, and maliciously violate SC statute of Cruelty to Children 63-5-80, while Cottageville, SC within the County of Colleton, SC in the following particulars: The defendant Jesse Brassell admitted to intentionally biting the 2-yr old victim while at Cottageville, SC causing unnecessary pain or suffering upon the child. The victim sustained a bite mark on right cheek. The above information is true and accurate and was obtained through witnesses' statements and the investigation of Special Agent Shawn Murray of the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA County/ Municipality of Colleton

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 9/20/2023 defendant Jesse Phillip Brassell did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of County/ Municipality of Colleton) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Children / Cruelty to children (Torture, deprivation)

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 12/14/2023 Judge's Address 40 Klein Street Walterboro, SC 29488- Judge's Telephone (843)549-1122

Signature of Issuing Judge Elbert O Duffie Issuing Court: Magistrate Municipal Circuit

Judge Code: 7166

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