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SLED CHARGES FORMER CHERAW POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICER WITH FELONY SEXUAL EXTORTION AND MISCONDUCT IN OFFICE

Agents with the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) charged Justin Brian McKenzie, 40, with Felony Sexual Extortion – 1st Offense and Misconduct in Office on Thursday, February 22, 2024. Chief Julius Riley of the Cheraw Police Department requested the SLED investigation.

Details can be found in the attached warrants.

McKenzie was booked at the Chesterfield County Detention Center.

The case will be prosecuted by the 4th Circuit Solicitor's Office.

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ARREST WARRANT

2024A1310100127

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Chesterfield

THE STATE

against

Justin Brian Mckenzie

Address:

Mc Bee, SC 29101-8905

Phone: SSN:

Sex: M Race: W Height: 6 Weight: 225

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: 1983 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Justin T Cutchin - S00587

Offense: Extortion / Felony Sexual Extortion - 1st Offense

Offense Code: 4079

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-15-0430(B)

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 Justin Mckenzie
on 2.22.24

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions
200 West Main
P O Box 529
Chesterfield, SC 29709

AUDIT COPY

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Chesterfield

Personally appeared before me the affiant Justin T Cutchin whobeing duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Justin Brian Mckenziedid within this county and state on or about 2/ 2/2024

violate the criminal laws of the

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Chesterfield)

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Extortion / Felony Sexual Extortion - 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:

Between on February 2 and 7, 2024, one Justin Brian Mckenzie did within Chesterfield County commit the crime of Extortion / Felony Sexual Extortion , to wit: While concealing his identity, McKenzie used text messages to maliciously threaten publication of private sexually explicit images of the victim on social media. In fear of publication, the victim was compelled to create and provide McKenzie with additional sexually explicit photographs and videos. McKenzie, a certified law enforcement officer, and the victim McKenzie sexually extorted the victim. This Affiant's belief is based upon the victim's statement, text message conversation content, and electronic communication records.- 1st Offense .

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Chesterfield

Affiant's Address P. O. Box 21398Columbia, 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/ 2/2024 defendant Justin Brian Mckenzie

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

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Chesterfield) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Extortion / Felony Sexual Extortion - 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 2/22/2024Signature of Issuing Judge
John Kennedy MeltonJudge Code: 7370Judge's Address 3357 Highway 9Cheraw, SC 29520-Judge's Telephone (843)921-2030Issuing Court: ☒ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit

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Offense Code: 0819

Code/Ordinance Sec: 17-25-0030

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