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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
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SLED CHARGES FORMER SCDMV CLERK WITH EMBEZZLEMENT OF PUBLIC FUNDS

The South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) charged Shayla Singleton-Drayton, 44, with Embezzlement of Public Funds on Wednesday, August 28, 2024.

Details can be found in the attached warrant.

Singleton-Drayton was booked into the Dorchester County Detention Center.

The case will be prosecuted by the 1st Circuit Solicitor's Office.

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ARREST WARRANT

2024A1810300034

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Dorchester

THE STATE

56-24-0108

against

Shayla Myear Singleton -Drayton

Address:

Green Pond, SC 29446-8810

Phone: SSN: [REDACTED]

Sex: F Race: B Height: 5 5 Weight: 214

DL State: SC DL #: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED] 1980 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: John K Tyner - S01004

Offense: Embezzlement / Embezzlement of public funds,
value \$10,000 or more

Offense Code: 3459

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-13-0210(A)

This warrant is CERTIFIED FOR SERVICE in the

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality ofThe accused
is to be arrested and brought before me to be
dealt with according to the law.

Signature of Judge

Date: 8/18/24

RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to

defendant
onSHAYLA M. SINGLETON -DRAYTON
08-28-2024SS/A J.K. Tyner
Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions
5200 E. Jim Bilton Blvd.
St. George, SC 29477

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Dorchester

Personally appeared before me the affiant John K Tyner

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Shayla Myear Singleton -Drayton

did within this county and state on or about 3/7/2024

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

Dorchester

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Embezzlement / Embezzlement of public funds, value \$10,000 or more

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 AFFIDAVIT

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Dorchester

Affiant's Address P. O. Box 21398
Columbia, SC 29221-

Affiant's Telephone (803)896-7250

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 3/7/2024

defendant Shayla Myear Singleton -Drayton

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

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Dorchester

) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Embezzlement / Embezzlement of public funds, value \$10,000 or more

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 7/18/2024

Signature of Issuing Judge

Russell A. DeMott

Judge Code: 7484

Judge's Address 212 Deming Way, Box 10
Summerville, SC 29483-

Judge's Telephone (843)832-0370

Issuing Court: ☒ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit

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

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SUSPECT INFORMATION

NAME OF SUSPECT: Shayla Myear Singleton-Drayton

AKA'S OF SUSPECT: Shayla Singleton

ADDRESS OF SUSPECT: [REDACTED]

CITY, STATE, ZIP: Green Pond, SC 29446

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

RACE: B SEX: F HGT: 505 EYES: 214 HAIR: BLK CMPL:

SCARS, MARKS, TATTOOS : OTHER IDENTIFYING INFO:

DOB: [REDACTED] 1980 SSN: [REDACTED] SCDL # [REDACTED]

VIOLATION

STATUTE: 16-13-210 (A) OFFENSE: Embezzlement of Public Funds \$10,000 or more

PROBABLE CAUSE AFFIDAVIT

State of South Carolina

County of Dorchester

Personally appeared before me, the affiant John K. Tyner who being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Shayla Myear Singleton-Drayton did within this county and state on or about the dates of December 1, 2022, to March 7, 2024, violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: 16-13-210 (A) Embezzlement of Public Funds \$10,000 or more

I further state that there is probable cause to believe the defendant named above did commit the crime set forth and that probable cause is based on the following facts:

On or about the dates of December 1, 2022, to March 7, 2024, the defendant, Shayla Myear Singleton-Drayton, while employed as a Customer Service Representative (CSR) at the South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles (SCDMV) St. George Office, who in this position had the responsibility for the safekeeping, transfer, and disbursement of public funds, did embezzle public funds in the amount of \$19,451.00. On March 7, 2024, SCDMV Office of Inspector General (OIG) received a complaint from customer [REDACTED] stating that she was overcharged for her title transaction by CSR Singleton-Drayton. [REDACTED] was charged \$600.00 for the transaction, and a review by SCDMV OIG found the correct amount for the transaction should have been \$585.00; however, further investigation determined that only \$85.00 was entered into the SCDMV computer system and deposited into her cash drawer. Upon further

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review of CSR Singleton-Drayton's transactions, SCDMV uncovered numerous incidents where she processed title transactions and did not account for the entire amount of funds received. After being advised of her Miranda rights by SLED agents, CSR Singleton-Drayton admitted to stealing the funds because she had financial problems and needed the money to pay her personal bills and other expenses. The Defendant did violate South Carolina Code of Laws section 16-13-210 by receiving public funds, failing to account for them as required by law, and then permanently depriving the SCDMV of these funds. This offense did occur in the county of
Dorchester, SC. *SLED investigation number 56-24-0108*

SSA J.K. Tyner

Special Agent

Special Agent: John K. Tyner

Office Address: PO Box 21398 Columbia,

SC 29221

Date of Request: _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

18th day of July, 2024

Issuing Magistrate