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SLED CHARGES FORMER SC DJJ ASSOCIATE DEPUTY WITH MISCONDUCT IN OFFICE, AND ASSAULT & BATTERY 3RD DEGREE

The South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) charged Adrian Oneal Cartledge, 45, with Misconduct in Office, and Assault & Battery 3rd degree on Wednesday, October 30, 2024. The SLED investigation was requested by the South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ).

Details can be found in the attached warrants.

Cartledge was booked into the Alvin S. Glenn Detention Center in Richland County.

The case will be prosecuted by the 5th Circuit Solicitor's Office.

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ARREST WARRANT

2024A4010500289

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Richland / Dutch Fork Magistrate

THE STATE
against

Adrian Oneal Cartledge

Address:

Chapin, SC 29036-6318

Phone: SSN

Sex: M Race: B Height: 6 1 Weight: 240

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: 1978 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Kegan A Kelley - S03607

Offense: Misconduct / Misconduct in office, malfeasance,
misfeasance, or nonfeasance

Offense Code: 0819

Code/Ordinance Sec: 17-25-0030

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

on

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

Richland County General Sessions
1701 Main Street
P O Box 192
Columbia, SC 29202

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Richland / Dutch Fork Magistrate

Personally appeared before me the affiant

Kegan A Kelley

who

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant

Adrian Oneal Cartledge

did within this county and state on or about

10/ 2/2024

violate the criminal laws of the

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of

☒ County/☐ Municipality of

Richland / Dutch Fork Magistrate

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE:

Misconduct / Misconduct in office, malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasance

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:

On or about 10/02/2024 while at the SCDJJ Juvenile Detention Center, 1725 Shivers Road, Columbia, SC within Richland County, Adrian Cartledge did, while employed at SCDJJ, commit the crime of Misconduct in Office (Common Law) in that he failed to properly and faithfully discharge the official duties imposed upon him by law to wit: DEF did breach said duties by using excessive force by intentionally striking a juvenile in the face with his right elbow. The juvenile was handcuffed with his hands behind his back. DEF completed training as a Juvenile Corrections Officer and took an oath upon completion which stated he would "protect and serve the public, and those placed under his care." DEF also upon documenting the incident on a SCDJJ event report, was dishonest about the incident. The incident was captured on facility camera footage. The affiant's belief is based upon information obtained during the SLED investigation. This being in violation of 17-25-0030 of South Carolina Code of Laws as amended.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Richland / Dutch Fork Magistrate

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 10/ 2/2024

defendant Adrian Oneal Cartledge

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

☒ County/☐ Municipality of

Richland / Dutch Fork Magistrate

) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE:

Misconduct / Misconduct in office, malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasance

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 10/29/2024

Signature of Issuing Judge
Michael David Scott

Judge Code: 7397

(L.S.)

Judge's Address Dutch Fork District

Columbia, SC 29210-

Judge's Telephone (803)576-2540

Issuing Court:

☒ Magistrate☐ Municipal☐ Circuit

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Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Kegan A Kelley - S03607

Offense: Assault / Assault & Battery 3rd degree

Offense Code: 3414

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-03-0600(E)(1)

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(L.S.)

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Dutch Fork Magistrate
1019 Beatty Road
Columbia, SC 29210

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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 10/2/2024 while at the South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice (SCDJJ) on 1725 Shivers Road, Columbia, SC within Richland County, it is believed that one Adrian Oneal Cartledge did commit the crime of Assault and battery 3rd Degree because the def did cause physical harm to a juvenile. Cartledge, while in his role as Associate Deputy and having received training as a Juvenile Corrections Officer, responded to an assistance call for a juvenile outside of the juvenile's cell. The juvenile complied with instructions by staff and was handcuffed behind his back. After the juvenile was brought to his feet, Cartledge used his right elbow to strike the juvenile in the face. The juvenile was then escorted to his cell. The juvenile sustained minor injuries. The incident was captured on facility camera footage. The affiant's belief is based upon information obtained during the SLED investigation. This being in violation of 16-03-0600 (E)(1) of the South Carolina Code of Laws as amended.

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