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SLED CHARGES LANCASTER COUNTY MAN WITH EXPLOITATION OF A VULNERABLE ADULT

The South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) charged Daniel Luke Hammond, 40, with Exploitation of a Vulnerable Adult on Tuesday, December 17, 2024. The SLED investigation was requested by the Lancaster County Sheriff's Office.

Details can be found in the attached warrant.

Hammond was booked into the Lancaster County Detention Center.

The case will be prosecuted by the 6th Circuit Solicitor's Office.

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An Accredited Law Enforcement Agency



ARREST WARRANT

2024A2910102588

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Lancaster

THE STATE

74-24-0046

against

Daniel Luke Hammond

Address:

Lancaster, SC 29720-6031

Phone: [REDACTED] SSN: [REDACTED]

Sex: M Race: W Height: 5 9 Weight: 158

DL State: SC DL #: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED] 1984 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: ~~Kevin G Ellis - M00254~~ Russell Causey

Offense: Exploitation / Exploitation of a vulnerable adult

Offense Code: 2657

Code/Ordinance Sec: 43-35-0085(D)

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.

(L.S.)

Signature of Judge

Date:

RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to

defendant

on

Daniel Hammond
12/17/2024
[Signature]
Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions
104 N. Main St.
P O Box 1809
Lancaster, SC 29720

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Lancaster

Personally appeared before me the affiant ~~Kevin G Ellis~~ Russell S. Causey who

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Daniel Luke Hammond

did within this county and state on or about 2/14/2023

violate the criminal laws of the

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

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Exploitation / Exploitation of a vulnerable adult

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 February 14, 2023, Daniel Luke Hammond obtained a fraudulent Power of Attorney over [REDACTED]. Hammond used the fraudulent Power of Attorney to gain access to [REDACTED]'s bank accounts. Hammond withdrew approximately \$37,976.15 from [REDACTED]'s bank account and converted it to his own personal use. Therefore, Hammond deprived [REDACTED] of his money. During the time the Power of Attorney was signed, [REDACTED] was hospitalized and unable to consent to, or sign, the Power of Attorney. All against the law, peace, and dignity of the State of South Carolina. CS #74-24-0046

Signature of Affiant

[Signature]

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Lancaster

Affiant's Address P. O. Box 21398

Columbia, SC 29221-

Affiant's Telephone (803)896-7654

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 2/14/2023 defendant Daniel Luke Hammond

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

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Lancaster

) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Exploitation / Exploitation of a vulnerable adult

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 12/17/2024

[Signature]
Signature of Issuing Judge (L.S.)

Fredrick Asgill Thomas

Judge Code: 7180

Judge's Address 761 Highway 521 Lancaster Bypass East

Lancaster, SC 29721-1809

Judge's Telephone (803)283-3983

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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