



# South Carolina

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### **SLED CHARGES MAN WITH SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR**

The South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) charged Brandon Kyle Brown, 39, with Sexual Exploitation of a Minor - First Degree on Wednesday, March 26, 2025. The Edgefield County Sheriff's Office requested the SLED investigation. The Edgefield County Sheriff's Office, Aiken County Sheriff's Office, and the Aiken Department of Public Safety assisted in the investigation.

Details can be found in the attached warrant.

Brown was booked into the Edgefield County Detention Center.

This case will be prosecuted by the 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit Solicitor's Office.

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ARREST WARRANT

2025A1910200133

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of

Edgefield

THE STATE against

Brandon Kyle Brown

Address: [Redacted]

North Augusta, SC 29860-9019

Phone: [Redacted] SSN: [Redacted]

Sex: M Race: W Height: 5 8 Weight: 170

DL State: SC DL #: [Redacted]

DOB: [Redacted] 1985 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: William R Padgett, Jr - S00433

Offense: Sex / Sexual exploitation of a minor, First degree

Offense Code: 0379

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-15-0395(A)

This warrant is CERTIFIED FOR SERVICE in the [ ] County/ [ ] Municipality of [Redacted]. The accused is to be arrested and brought before me to be dealt with according to the law.

(L.S.)

Signature of Judge

Date: [Redacted]

RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to defendant Brandon Kyle Brown on 3/26/2025

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions
129 Courthouse Square
P O Box 34
Edgefield, SC 29824

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of
Edgefield

AFFIDAVIT

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

Personally appeared before me the affiant William R Padgett, Jr who being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Brandon Kyle Brown did within this county and state on or about 3/17/2024 violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of [X] County/ [ ] Municipality of Edgefield) in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Sex / Sexual exploitation of a minor, First 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 March 17, 2024, in the county of Edgefield, one Brandon Kyle Brown did commit the crime of Sex / Sexual exploitation of a minor, First degree in that he did knowingly use, employ, induce, coerce, encourage, or facilitate [Redacted] a minor [Redacted] to engage in sexual activity or appear in a state of sexually explicit nudity or for the purpose of producing material containing a visual representation of such activity or nudity through use of his cellular device. The visual depictions were discovered via forensic examination of [Redacted] cellphone pursuant to a lawful search warrant and depicted the child nude. At the time of the offense the victim was 4 years old. This occurred at [Redacted] North Augusta within the county of Edgefield, State of South Carolina.

Signature of Affiant

[Handwritten Signature]

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of
Edgefield

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 3/17/2024 defendant Brandon Kyle Brown did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of [X] County/ [ ] Municipality of Edgefield) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Sex / Sexual exploitation of a minor, First degree

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 3/25/2025

[Handwritten Signature] (L.S.)
Signature of Issuing Judge
Garry D. Hitt
Judge Code: 7486

Judge's Address Post Office Box 664
Edgefield, SC 29824-

Judge's Telephone (803)637-5781

Issuing Court: [X] Magistrate [ ] Municipal [ ] Circuit

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