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SLED CHARGES NORTH CAROLINA MAN WITH COMMITTING LEWD ACTS ON A CHILD

The South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) charged David Earl Culton, 66, with two counts of Committing Lewd Acts on a Child on Tuesday, January 13, 2026. The Kershaw County Sheriff's Office requested the SLED investigation.

Details can be found in the attached warrants.

Culton was booked into the Kershaw County Detention Center.

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

SLED previously charged Culton on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, with four counts of Criminal Sexual Conduct with a Minor - First Degree.

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ARREST WARRANT

2026A2810100054

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Kershaw

THE STATE

2025-01697

against

David Earl Culton

Address:

Asheville, NC 28805-

Phone: SSN: [REDACTED]

Sex: M Race: W Height: 6 1 Weight: 210

DL State: NC DL #: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED] 1959 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Sarah J Senn - S00680

Offense: Retired / No Longer Used / Sex / Lewd Act,
committing or attempting lewd act upon child

Offense Code: 2468

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-15-0140

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

1/20/2026

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions
Po Box 1557
Camden, SC 29021

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Kershaw

Personally appeared before me the affiant Sarah J Senn

who

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant David Earl Culton

did within this county and state on or about 1/1/2007

violate the criminal laws of the

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

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Retired / No Longer Used / Sex / Lewd Act, committing or attempting lewd act upon child under 16
(June 4, 1996)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 2007, David Earl Culton did at [REDACTED] Camden, SC in Kershaw County, willfully commit a lewd act
on a child who was five years old. The child was at Culton's residence being babysat by Culton and [REDACTED].
Culton picked the child up and placed [REDACTED] on his lap. The child was facing him with legs straddling Culton.
Culton stuck his hands inside the child's underwear. The victim told [REDACTED] about this incident and [REDACTED] later
corroborated the information. This information was disclosed during an interview with SLED agents. The Affiant's belief is based
upon information obtained during the SLED investigation. This being in violation of 16-15-0140 of the South Carolina Code of
Laws as amended.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Kershaw

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 1/1/2007 defendant David Earl Culton

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

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Kershaw

) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Retired / No Longer Used / Sex / Lewd Act, committing or attempting lewd act upon child under 16
(June 4, 1996)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 1/13/2026

Signature of Issuing Judge (L.S.)

Judge's Address Post Office Box 1528
Camden, SC 29021-

Judge's Telephone (803)425-7226

ARREST WARRANT

2026A2810100053

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Kershaw

THE STATE

2025-01697

against

David Earl Culton

Address:

Asheville, NC 28805-

Phone: _____ SSN: _____
Sex: M Race: W Height: 6 1 Weight: 210DL State: NC DL #: _____DOB: 1959 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement DivisionProsecuting Officer: Sarah J Senn - S00680Offense: Retired / No Longer Used / Sex / Lewd Act,
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☐ 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 David Culton
on 1/20/26

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions
Po Box 1557
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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Kershaw

Personally appeared before me, the affiant Sarah J Senn whobeing duly sworn deposes and says that defendant David Earl Cultondid within this county and state on or about 1/1/1987 violate the criminal laws of theState of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Kershaw)

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Retired / No Longer Used / Sex / Lewd Act, committing or attempting lewd act upon child under 16
(June 4, 1996)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 1987, David Earl Culton did at _____, Camden, SC in Kershaw County, willfully commit a lewd
act on a child who was eight years old. The child was the _____ and was at Culton's
residence sleeping on the couch. Culton pulled the child's pants down and rubbed his penis against the child's bare buttocks. Culton
then touched the child's _____ with his hands. This information was disclosed during an interview with SLED agents. The Affiant's
belief is based upon information obtained during the SLED investigation. This being in violation of 16-15-0140 of the South
Carolina Code of Laws as amended.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Kershaw

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 1/1/1987 defendant David Earl Cultondid violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of
☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Kershaw) as set forth below:**DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE:** Retired / No Longer Used / Sex / Lewd Act, committing or attempting lewd act upon child under 16
(June 4, 1996)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 meon 1/13/2026Signature of Issuing Judge (L.S.)
James E Davis (Magistrate) JrJudge Code: 7278Judge's Address Post Office Box 1528
Camden, SC 29021-Judge's Telephone (803)425-7226Issuing Court: ☒ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit

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