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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
March 10, 2026

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SLED CHARGES AIKEN COUNTY MAN WITH ASSAULT & BATTERY AND RESISTING ARREST

The South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) charged Grady Lafone Owenby, 51, with two counts of Assault & Battery – 1st Degree and two counts of Resisting Arrest on Monday, March 9, 2026. The Aiken County Sheriff's Office requested the SLED investigation.

Details can be found in the attached warrants.

Owenby was booked into the Aiken County Detention Center.

The case will be prosecuted by the 2nd Circuit Solicitor's Office.

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An Accredited Law Enforcement Agency



ARREST WARRANT

2026A0210700072

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Aiken

THE STATE

against

Grady Lafone Owenby

Address:

Beech Island, SC 29842-8540

Phone: SSN: [REDACTED]
Sex: M Race: W Height: 5 9 Weight: 155

DL State: SC DL #: [REDACTED]

DOB: 1974 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Jeffrey N Michlovitz - S00935

Offense: Assault / Assault & Battery 1st degree

Offense Code: 3412

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

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: Grady Lafone Owenby

on March 9, 2026 @ 0959

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions

P O Box 583

109 Park Avenue

Aiken, SC 29802

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Aiken

AFFIDAVIT

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

Personally appeared before me the affiant Jeffrey N Michlovitz

who

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Grady Lafone Owenby

did within this county and state on or about 3/6/2026

violate the criminal laws of the

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

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Assault / Assault & Battery 1st 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:

On March 6, 2026, while at [REDACTED] in the county of Aiken, SC, Grady Lafone Owenby unlawfully attempted to injure two law enforcement officers with the present ability to do so. Specifically, Owenby physically resisted Aiken County Sheriff's Office (ACSO) [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] while they attempted to place him under arrest as they responded to a call for service for a burglary in progress. During the altercation Owenby attempted to grab [REDACTED] handgun from [REDACTED] holster. Both deputies were operating vehicles and wearing clothing and equipment which identified them as law enforcement officers. This belief is based upon video recordings of the incident, witness statements, and other information obtained during this investigation.

Signature of Affiant

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

Affiant's Telephone

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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 3/9/2026

Signature of Issuing Judge (L.S.)

Patricia Yvonne Arthur Rushton

Judge Code: 7372

Judge's Address

Langley, SC 29834-

Judge's Telephone (803)593-5171

Issuing Court:

☒ Magistrate☐ Municipal☐ Circuit

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2026A0210700073

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Address:

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Phone:

SSN:

Sex: M Race: W Height: 5 9 Weight: 155

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: 1974 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Jeffrey N Michlovitz - S00935

Offense: Resisting / Resisting Arrest; Oppose or resist law
enforcement officer serving process or making

Offense Code: 0326

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-09-0320(A)

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willfully opposed and resisted law enforcement officers attempting to lawfully arrest him as they responded to a call for service for a
burglary in progress. Specifically, Owenby physically resisted Aiken County Sheriff's Office (ACSO) [REDACTED]
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ARREST WARRANT

2026A0210700074

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

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THE STATE

2026-01361

against

Grady Lafone Owenby

Address:

Beech Island, SC 29842-8540

Phone:

SSN:

Sex: M Race: W Height: 5 9 Weight: 155

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: 1974 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

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