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SLED CHARGES FLORENCE COUNTY MAN IN CONNECTION WITH OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING

The South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) charged Maurice Cortez Green, 34, with Possession of a Weapon During a Violent Crime, Kidnapping, Aggravated Breach of Peace, and two counts of Assault & Battery – 1st Degree on Monday, May 4, 2026. The Florence Police Department requested the SLED investigation. Green is the subject in the Officer Involved Shooting that occurred in Florence County on Saturday, April 25, 2026. SLED's investigation is active and ongoing at this time.

Details can be found in the attached warrants.

Green was booked into the Florence County Detention Center.

The case will be prosecuted by the 12th Circuit Solicitor's Office.

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ARREST WARRANT

2026A2110100122

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [] Municipality of

Florence

THE STATE

2026-02524

against

Maurice Cortez Green

Address:

Florence, SC 29506-1911

Phone: SSN:

Sex: M Race: B Height: 6 Weight: 165

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: 1992 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Sienna E Herndon - S01658

Offense: Weapons / Poss. weapon during violent crime, if not also sentenced to life without parole or death

Offense Code: 0549

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-23-0490

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 Maurice Green on 5/4/2026

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions Court
181 North Irby Street, Suite 1100
Florence, SC 29501

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [] Municipality of

Florence

Personally appeared before me the affiant Sienna E Herndon who

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Maurice Cortez Green

did within this county and state on or about 4/25/2026 violate the criminal laws of the

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of [X] County/ [] Municipality of Florence)

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Weapons / Poss. weapon during violent crime, if not also sentenced to life without parole or death

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 April 25, 2026, Maurice Green did within Florence County, commit the offense of Possession of a Weapon During Commission of Violent Crime to wit: Maurice Green possessed a knife, a deadly weapon, during the commission of a kidnapping. This Affiant's belief is based upon the victim's statement and witness statement obtained during the SLED investigation. This being in violation of Section 16-23-0490, South Carolina Code of Laws.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [] Municipality of

Florence

Affiant's Address P. O. Box 21398

Columbia, SC 29221-

Affiant's Telephone (803)563-0165

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 4/25/2026 defendant Maurice Cortez Green

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

[X] County/ [] Municipality of Florence) as set forth below.

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Weapons / Poss. weapon during violent crime, if not also sentenced to life without parole or death

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 4/27/2026

Signature of Issuing Judge (L.S.) Joe Timothy Suggs
Judge's Address 180 North Irby Street
Msc-W Florence, SC 29501-
Judge's Telephone (843)665-0031

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

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ARREST WARRANT

2026A2110100120

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [] Municipality of

Florence

THE STATE

2026-02524

against

Maurice Cortez Green

Address: [Redacted] Florence, SC 29506-1911

Phone: [Redacted] SSN: [Redacted] Sex: M Race: B Height: 6 Weight: 165

DL State: SC DL #: [Redacted] DOB: 1992 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Sienna E Herndon - S01658

Offense: Kidnapping / Conspiracy to commit kidnapping

Offense Code: 0017 Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-03-0920

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: [Redacted]

RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to defendant Maurice Green on 5/4/2026

[Signature of Ashley Anderson]

Substantive Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions Court 181 North Irby Street, Suite 1100 Florence, SC 29501

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [] Municipality of

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did within this county and state on or about 4/25/2026 violate the criminal laws of the

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of [X] County/ [] Municipality of Florence)

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Kidnapping / Conspiracy to commit kidnapping

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 April 25, 2026, Maurice Green did within Florence County, commit the offense of Kidnapping to wit: On April 24, 2026, at approximately 9:57 p.m., Green picked up the victim, with whom he was involved in a romantic relationship, and brought [Redacted] to his residence located at [Redacted] Florence, SC. The victim later requested that Green take [Redacted] home. Green refused to take the victim home or to allow [Redacted] to leave on [Redacted] own. On April 25, 2026, Green took the victim's cell phone and held [Redacted] at knife point against [Redacted] will for several hours. This Affiant's belief is based upon the victim's statement and witness statement obtained during the SLED investigation. This being in violation of Section 16-03-0920, South Carolina Code of Laws.

Signature of Affiant

[Signature of Affiant]

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [] Municipality of

Florence

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

Affiant's Telephone (803)563-0165

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 4/25/2026 defendant Maurice Cortez Green

did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of [X] County/ [] Municipality of Florence) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Kidnapping / Conspiracy to commit kidnapping

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 4/27/2026

[Signature of Joe Timothy Suggs] (L.S.)

Signature of Issuing Judge Joe Timothy Suggs Judge Code: 7535

Judge's Address 180 North Irby Street Msc-W Florence, SC 29501-

Judge's Telephone (843)665-0031

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

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ARREST WARRANT

2026A2110100119

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [] Municipality of

Florence

THE STATE

2026-02524

against

Maurice Cortez Green

Address:

Florence, SC 29506-1911

Phone: SSN: Sex: M Race: B Height: 6 Weight: 165

DL State: SC DL #: Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Sienna E Herndon - S01658

Offense: Breach / Breach of peace, aggravated in nature

Offense Code: 0955

Code/Ordinance Sec: 00-00-0000

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 Maurice Green on 5/4/2026

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions Court 181 North Irby Street, Suite 1100 Florence, SC 29501

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[X] County/ [] Municipality of

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did within this county and state on or about 4/25/2026

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of [X] County/ [] Municipality of Florence

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Breach / Breach of peace, aggravated in nature

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 April 25, 2026, Maurice Green did within Florence County, commit the Offense of Aggravated Breach of Peace to wit: Florence Police Department officers responded to [redacted] in reference to a hostage situation involving Green, who was holding a [redacted] at knife point inside the residence. Upon officers' arrival, Green fled through the neighborhood with an openly-displayed knife, which caused a significant disturbance and threat to other residents of the neighborhood. This Affiant's belief is based upon the victim's statement, witness statements, and video surveillance footage obtained during the SLED investigation. This being in violation of the Common Law of South Carolina.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [] Municipality of

Florence

Affiant's Address P. O. Box 21398 Columbia, SC 29221- Affiant's Telephone (803)563-0165

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 4/25/2026 defendant Maurice Cortez Green

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

[X] County/ [] Municipality of Florence) as set forth below.

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Breach / Breach of peace, aggravated in nature

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 4/27/2026

Signature of Issuing Judge Joe Timothy Suggs (L.S.) Judge's Address 180 North Irby Street Msc-W Florence, SC 29501-

Judge's Telephone (843)665-0031

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

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AFFIDAVIT

ARREST WARRANT

2026A2110100118

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [] Municipality of

Florence

THE STATE

2026-02524

against

Maurice Cortez Green

Address:

Florence, SC 29506-1911

Phone: SSN:

Sex: M Race: B Height: 6 Weight: 165

DL State: SC DL #: Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

DOB: 1992

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Sienna E Herndon - S01658

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 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 Maurice Green

on 5/4/2026

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions Court
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[X] County/ [] Municipality of

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did within this county and state on or about 4/25/2026

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of [X] County/ [] Municipality of Florence

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 April 25, 2026, Maurice Green did within Florence County, commit the Offense of Assault & Battery 1st Degree to wit: Florence Police Department (FPD) officers responded to [redacted] in reference to a hostage situation involving Green, who was holding a [redacted] at knife point inside the residence. Upon officers' arrival, Green fled the residence on foot with a knife through a residential neighborhood. FPD [redacted] located Green behind a residence on Denali Lane. [redacted] gave Green verbal commands to drop the knife. Green refused to comply with the officer's commands and deliberately engaged [redacted] with the knife, which could have caused serious bodily injury or death. This Affiant's belief is based upon witness statements and audio/video recordings obtained during the SLEB investigation. This being in violation of Section 16-03-0600 (C) (1), South Carolina Code of Laws.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [] Municipality of

Florence

Affiant's Address P. O. Box 21398

Columbia, SC 29221-

Affiant's Telephone (803)563-0165

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TO ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THIS STATE OR MUNICIPALITY OR ANY CONSTABLE OF THIS COUNTY:

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on or about 4/25/2026 defendant Maurice Cortez Green

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

[X] County/ [] Municipality of Florence) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Assault / Assault & Battery 1st 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 4/27/2026

Signature of Issuing Judge (L.S.)

Joe Timothy Suggs

Judge Code: 7539

Judge's Address 180 North Irby Street

Msc-W Florence, SC 29501-

Judge's Telephone (843)665-0031

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

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ARREST WARRANT

2026A2110100117

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/ Municipality of

Florence

THE STATE
against

2026-02524

Maurice Cortez Green

Address:

Florence, SC 29506-1911

Phone:

SSN:

Sex: M Race: B Height: 6 Weight: 165

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: /1992 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Sienna E Herndon - S01658

Offense: Assault / Assault & Battery 1st degree

Offense Code: 3412

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

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 County/ Municipality of

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(L.S.)

Signature of Judge

Date:

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State of South Carolina (or ordinance of County/ Municipality of
in the following particulars: Florence

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 April 25, 2026, Maurice Green did within Florence County, commit the Offense of Assault & Battery 1st Degree to wit: On April 25, 2026, Green took the victim's cell phone and held at knife point against will for several hours, which could have caused serious bodily injury or death. This Affiant's belief is based upon the victim's statement, witness statement and video surveillance footage obtained during the SLED investigation. This being in violation of Section 16-03-0600 (C) (1), South Carolina Code of Laws.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/ Municipality of

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Columbia, SC 29221-

Affiant's Telephone (803)563-0165

ARREST WARRANT

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