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SLED INVESTIGATING OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING IN GREENVILLE COUNTY

The South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) is investigating an officer involved shooting that occurred on Friday, September 4, 2026, in Greenville County.

After finishing an unrelated traffic stop early Friday morning, a Greenville County deputy encountered a man armed with a gun walking along the intersection of Page Drive and White Horse Road in Greenville County. The man was later identified as Walter Jason Smith, 42. Smith pointed the gun at the deputy in the patrol car and there was an exchange of gunfire. Smith ran into a nearby field. A second Greenville County deputy responded to the scene. There was another exchange of gunfire between deputies and Smith. A deputy was shot in the shoulder, and Smith was shot in the leg. The deputy and Smith were taken to the hospital for treatment. The deputy has been released and is in recovery. SLED was requested to investigate by the Greenville County Sheriff's Office.

SLED charged Smith with two counts of Attempted Murder, Possession of Firearm or Ammunition by Person Convicted of Violent Offense, and Possession of Weapon During Violent Crime. More details can be found in the attached arrest warrants. When Smith is discharged from the hospital, he will be booked into the Greenville County Detention Center. The case will be prosecuted by the 13th Circuit Solicitor's Office.

This is an ongoing investigation. As such, no other information about the case will be disclosed by SLED at this time.

SLED conducts law enforcement officer involved shooting (OIS) investigations at the request of the agency involved in the incident or the agency with jurisdiction. When requested to investigate an OIS, SLED's goal is to conduct a thorough, independent criminal investigation as timely as is possible under the circumstances. SLED agents will conduct interviews with all potential witnesses in this matter. Further, SLED will collect all relevant evidence and will forensically test such evidence as needed. Information gathered in the SLED investigation of the incident will be summarized in a case file report to be submitted to prosecutors.

The incident in Greenville County is the 26th officer involved shooting in South Carolina in 2026. This is the 2nd officer involved shooting for the Greenville County Sheriff's Office this year. In 2025, there were 45 officer involved shootings in South Carolina. The Greenville County Sheriff's Office had 7 officer involved shootings last year.



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ARREST WARRANT

2026A2330208523

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Greenville

THE STATE

2026-05633

against

Walter Jason Smith

Address:

Greenville, SC 29611-3824

Phone:

SSN:

Sex: M Race: W Height: 5 9 Weight: 160DL State: SC DL #: DOB: 1983 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000Prosecuting Agency: SledProsecuting Officer: Jesse A Clamp - S02984Offense: Assault / Attempted MurderOffense Code: 3410Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-03-0029This 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

WALTER JASON SMITH

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

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Greenville General Sessions
305 E. North Street
Greenville County Courthouse
Greenville, SC 296012120

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Personally appeared before me the affiant

Jesse A Clamp

who

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant

Walter Jason Smith

did within this county and state on or about

9/4/2026

violate the criminal laws of the

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of

☒ County/☐ Municipality of

Greenville

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE:

Assault / Attempted Murder

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:

The defendant, Walter Jason Smith, did willfully and unlawfully violate South Carolina Code of Law: Section: 16-3-29, Attempted Murder, by attempting to kill Greenville County Sheriff's Office Deputy [REDACTED] with malice aforethought. The defendant achieved this by ambushing Deputy [REDACTED] and shooting [REDACTED] with a firearm. As a result, Deputy [REDACTED] sustained life threatening injuries. This incident occurred at the intersection of Page Rd and White Horse Rd., located in Greenville County, SC 29611.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Greenville

Affiant's Address

4400 Broad River Road

Columbia, SC 29221-

Affiant's Telephone

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) as set forth below:

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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 9/4/2026

Judge's Address

Law Enforcement Center

Greenville, SC 29601-

Judge's Telephone

Letonya T. Simmons

Judge Code:

5077

Issuing Court:

☒ Magistrate☐ Municipal☐ Circuit

ARREST WARRANT

2026A2330208526

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Greenville

THE STATE

2026-05633

against

Walter Jason Smith

Address:

Greenville, SC 29611-3824

Phone:

SSN:

Sex: M Race: W Height: 5 9 Weight: 160DL State: SC DL #: DOB: 1983 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000Prosecuting Agency: SledProsecuting Officer: Jesse A Clamp - S02984Offense: Assault / Attempted MurderOffense Code: 3410Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-03-0029

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Murder, by attempting to kill Greenville County Sheriff's Deputy [REDACTED] with malice aforethought. The defendant achieved
this by shooting one deputy with a firearm and proceeding to shoot at Deputy [REDACTED]. This incident occurred at the intersection
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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
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Sworn to and subscribed before me

on 9/4/2026

Signature of Issuing Judge
Letonya T. Simmons (L.S.)

Judge Code: 5077

Judge's Address Law Enforcement Center

Greenville, SC 29601-

Judge's Telephone

Issuing Court:

☒ Magistrate☐ Municipal☐ Circuit

ARREST WARRANT

2026A2330208528

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Greenville

THE STATE

2026-05633

against

Walter Jason Smith

Address:

Greenville, SC 29611-3824

Phone:

SSN:

Sex: M Race: W Height: 5 9 Weight: 160

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: 1983 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: Sled

Prosecuting Officer: Jesse A Clamp - S02984

Offense: Weapons / Possession of Firearm or Ammunition
by person convicted of certain crimes -- First

Offense Code: 3434

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-23-0500(A)

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DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE:

Weapons / Possession of Firearm or Ammunition by person convicted of certain crimes -- First Offense

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:The defendant, Walter Jason Smith, did willfully and unlawfully violate South Carolina Code of Law: Section: 16-23-0500,
Unlawful Possession of a Firearm by a Person Convicted of Violent Offens, by having a firearm in his possession when committing
the act of attempted murder. The defendant has a prior conviction for 44-53-0375(A) Possession of Ice, Crank, or Cocaine 1st
Offense and 16-23-0030(B)(2) Grand Larceny. This incident occurred at the intersection of Page Rd and White Horse Rd, located
in Greenville County, SC 29611.

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S.C. Attorney General
April 21, 2003
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THE STATE

2026-05633

against

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Phone:

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Sex: M Race: W Height: 5 9 Weight: 160

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DOB: [REDACTED] 1983 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: Sled

Prosecuting Officer: Jesse A Clamp - S02984

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

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The defendant, Walter Jason Smith, did willfully and unlawfully violate South Carolina Code of Law: Section: 16-23-0490, Possession of a Firearm During Commission of Violent Crime, by having a firearm in his possession whilst committing the act of attempted murder. This incident occurred at the intersection of Page Rd and White Horse Rd., located in Greenville County, SC 29611.

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