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SLED CHARGES WOMAN WITH INTIMIDATION OF A WITNESS

Agents with the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) charged Alana Ann Westbury, 32, of Bowman, SC, on January 12, 2023, with Intimidation of a Witness. Westbury was charged by SLED on January 7 with Trafficking a victim under 18-years-old, 1st offense and three counts of Unlawfully Placing a Child At Risk.

Details can be found in the attached warrant.

The case will be prosecuted by the 1st Circuit Solicitor's Office.

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An Accredited Law Enforcement Agency



ARREST WARRANT

2023A3810100001

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/ Municipality of

Orangeburg

THE STATE

against

Alana Ann Westbury

Address: [Redacted]

Bowman, SC 29018-9629

Phone: [Redacted] SSN: [Redacted]

Sex: F Race: W Height: 5 2 Weight: 130

DL State: SC DL #: [Redacted]

DOB: 1990 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Melissa A Allen - S00895

Offense: Courts / Intimidation of court officials, jurors, or witnesses (after April 1, 1996)

Offense Code: 2451

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-09-0340

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 Alana Ann Westbury

on 1/12/23

[Signature] Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions
151 Docket Street
P. O. Box 9000
Orangeburg, SC 29116

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/ Municipality of

Orangeburg

Personally appeared before me the affiant Melissa A Allen who being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Alana Ann Westbury did within this county and state on or about 1/10/2023 violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of County/ Municipality of Orangeburg) in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Courts / Intimidation of court officials, jurors, or witnesses (after April 1, 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:

See Attached Affidavit

Signature of Affiant

[Signature: M. Allen]

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/ Municipality of

Orangeburg

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 1/10/2023 defendant Alana Ann Westbury

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

County/ Municipality of Orangeburg) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Courts / Intimidation of court officials, jurors, or witnesses (after April 1, 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 1/12/2023

[Signature] Signature of Issuing Judge

Derrick F. Dash

Judge Code: 5909

Judge's Address Post Office Box 9000

Orangeburg, SC 29116-

Judge's Telephone (803)533-5848

Issuing Court: Magistrate Municipal Circuit

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AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
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COUNTY OF ORANGEBURG)

WARRANT AFFIDAVIT

DEFENDANT: NAME: Alana Ann Westbury
DOB: [REDACTED] 90 RACE: WHITE SEX: FEMALE SSN: [REDACTED]
HEIGHT: 5'2 WEIGHT: 130lbs HAIR: BROWN EYES: GREEN DL: [REDACTED]
ADDRESS: [REDACTED] Bowman, SC, 29018

Personally appeared before me the affiant, S/A Melissa A. Allen, whom being duly sworn and says that defendant: Alana Ann Westbury did within this County and State on January 10, 2023, violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Courts / Intimidation of court officials, jurors, or witnesses (CDR 2451)
CODE SECTION: 16-09-0340(A)(2)

PROBABLE CAUSE:

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 January 10, 2023, the Defendant did knowingly and willfully commit the offense of intimidation of a witness by attempting to obstruct or impede the administration of justice in any court in the County of Orangeburg and the State of South Carolina in the area of [REDACTED] Agents previously charged the defendant with Trafficking in persons, under 18 years of age, as well as, three counts of unlawful conduct towards a child for multiple incidents where the defendant and a co-defendant exposed and/or involved the minor victim to commercial sex acts. The court allowed supervised DSS contact between the defendant and minor victim. During the first contact between defendant and minor victim after initial charges were made, agents learned the defendant spoke with the minor victim and asked if the minor victim wanted to send the defendant, or the co-defendant, to jail in an attempt to obstruct or impede the administration of justice in her pending matter. All the above is believed to be true based upon the investigation of S/A Allen of the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division. All is against the law, peace, and dignity of the State of South Carolina. This being in violation of S.C. Code of Laws, section 16-09-0340(A)(2).

SLED CASE NUMBER: 54-22-5355

Sworn to and Subscribed before me)
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12 day of JANUARY, 2023)

[Signature])
Signature of Judge)

[Signature])
Affiant)

S/A Melissa Allen
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