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SLED CHARGES PICKENS COUNTY MAN WITH ATTEMPTED MURDER AND POSSESSION OF A WEAPON DURING A VIOLENT CRIME

Agents with the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) charged Joshua Bradford, 30, on Friday, January 26, 2024, with Attempted Murder and Possession of a Weapon During a Violent Crime. SLED was requested to investigate by the Pickens County Sheriff's Office.

Details can be found in the attached warrants.

Bradford was booked at the Pickens County Detention Center.

The case will be prosecuted by the 13th Circuit Solicitor's Office.

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An Accredited Law Enforcement Agency



ARREST WARRANT

2024A3910100101

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/☐ Municipality of

Pickens

THE STATE

against

Joshua Scott Bradford

Address:

Liberty, SC 29657-3021

Phone:

SSN

Sex: M

Race: W

Height: 6

Weight: 230

DL State: SC

DL #:

DOB:

Agency ORI #:

SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency:

State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer:

Colby B Grigg - S01323

Offense: Assault / Attempted Murder

Offense Code:

3410

Code/Ordinance Sec:

16-03-0029

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

JOSHUA S. BRADFORD
1/26/2024

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions

214 E Main St / P O Box 215

Pickens, SC 29671

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/☐ Municipality of

Pickens

Personally appeared before me the affiant Colby B Grigg

who

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Joshua Scott Bradford

did within this county and state on or about 1/26/2024

violate the criminal laws of the

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

Pickens

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:

On or about 1/26/2024 the defendant, Joshua Scott Bradford, did with malice aforethought attempt to murder the victim. The two, became involved in a verbal altercation that lead to a brief physical altercation. The defendant proceeded to retrieve a gun from his pants pocket and shot the victim several times. After the victim fell face down on the floor was still able to move. The defendant then fired the remaining rounds left in his handgun into the victim's back. This incident occurred within Pickens County, SC. Probable cause based upon: 1. SLED Case # 34-24-0010

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/☐ Municipality of

Pickens

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 1/26/2024

defendant Joshua Scott Bradford

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

☒ County/☐ Municipality of

Pickens

) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Assault / Attempted Murder

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 1/26/2024

Signature of Issuing Judge
Benjamin Alexander Dow

Judge Code: 7275

Judge's Address

310 West Main Street

Judge's Telephone

Liberty, SC 29657-
(864)898-5551

Issuing Court:

☒ Magistrate☐ Municipal☐ Circuit

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

AFFIDAVIT

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☒ County/	☐ Municipality of
Pickens	
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against	
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Liberty, SC 29657-3021	
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DL State: SC	DL #: [REDACTED]
DOB: [REDACTED] 1993	Agency ORI #: SCLED0000
Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division	
Prosecuting Officer: Colby B Grigg - S01323	
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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☐ County/	☐ Municipality of
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(L.S.)	
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On or about 1/26/2024 the defendant, Joshua Scott Bradford, did have in his possession or control a weapon during the commission of attempted murder, which is classified as a violent crime. The defendant shot [REDACTED] several times attempting to murder [REDACTED]. This incident occurred within Pickens County, SC. Probable cause based upon: 1. SLED Case # 34-24-0010			
Signature of Affiant		[REDACTED]	
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA	)	Affiant's Address	
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