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SLED CHARGES DARLINGTON COUNTY COUNCILWOMAN AND HER SON WITH ASSAULT & BATTERY

The South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) charged Elaine R. Reed, 78, with Assault & Battery - 3rd Degree, and Lorand Clayton Reed, 54, with Assault & Battery - 2nd Degree on Thursday, May 1, 2025. The Darlington Police Department and the Darlington County Sheriff's Office requested the SLED investigation.

Details can be found in the attached warrants.

Elaine and Lorand were booked into the Darlington County Detention Center.

The case will be prosecuted by 12th Circuit Solicitor's Office at the request of the 4th Circuit Solicitor's Office.

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ARREST WARRANT

2025A1610400437

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Darlington

THE STATE

2024-02810

against

Elaine R Reed

Address:

Darlington, SC 29532-

Phone: SSN: Sex: F Race: B Height: 5 2 Weight: 155

DL State: SC DL #: DOB: 1946 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Nathan S Poston - S00738

Offense: Assault / Assault & Battery 3rd degree

Offense Code: 3414

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-03-0600(E)(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

on

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

Darlington Magistrate
115 Camp Road
Darlington, SC 29532

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Darlington

Personally appeared before me the affiant Nathan S Poston

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Elaine R Reed

did within this county and state on or about 10/ 5/2024

violate the criminal laws of the

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

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Assault / Assault & Battery 3rd 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 October 5, 2024, Elaine Reed did, at 836 Timmons Highway, within the county of Darlington, commit the offense of Assault and Battery Third Degree, to wit: Elaine Reed unlawfully injured the victim, [REDACTED] Reed advanced closely to [REDACTED] in an aggressive manner with her arm raised [REDACTED] pushed Reed back and away. Reed scratched [REDACTED] on the face with her right hand. Reed continued to advance toward [REDACTED] while swinging her arms and had to be pulled away by a bystander. The Affiant's belief is based upon the victim's statement and an audio/video surveillance recording. This being in violation of Section 16-3-600 (E)(1), South Carolina Code of Laws.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Darlington

Affiant's Address P. O. Box 21398

Columbia, SC 29221-

Affiant's Telephone (803)896-7000

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 10/ 5/2024 defendant Elaine R Reed

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

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Darlington) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Assault / Assault & Battery 3rd 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 4/29/2025

Signature of Issuing Judge
Valerie Swarts Gardner

Judge Code: 7525

Judge's Address 115 Camp Road
Darlington, SC 29532-

Judge's Telephone (843)398-4006

Issuing Court: ☒ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit

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Form Approved by
S.C. Attorney General
April 21, 2003
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ARREST WARRANT

2025A1610400438

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Darlington

THE STATE

2024-02810

against

Lorand Clayton Reed

Address:

Darlington, SC 29532-4632

Phone: _____ SSN: _____
Sex: M Race: B Height: 6 Weight: 225DL State: SC DL #: _____DOB: 1971 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement DivisionProsecuting Officer: Nathan S Poston - S00738Offense: Assault / Assault & Battery 2nd degreeOffense Code: 3413Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-03-0600(D)(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
onLorand Reed III05/01/2025

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions
110 North Main Street
Darlington, SC 29532

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Darlington

Personally appeared before me the affiant Nathan S Poston whobeing duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Lorand Clayton Reeddid within this county and state on or about 10/6/2024

violate the criminal laws of the

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

n the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Assault / Assault & Battery 2nd degreeI 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 October 6, 2024, Lorand Reed III did, at Chestnut Street, within the county of Darlington, commit the offense of Assault and Battery Second Degree, to wit: Lorand Reed unlawfully injured the victim, _____. During a conversation, Reed grabbed _____ by his neck and shoved him repeatedly against his _____ vehicle. _____ was later diagnosed with four fractured ribs on his right side. The Affiant's belief is based upon victim and witness statements and medical records. This being in violation of Section 16-3-600 (D)(1), South Carolina Code of Laws.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Darlington

Affiant's Address P. O. Box 21398Columbia, SC 29221-Affiant's Telephone (803)896-7000

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 10/6/2024 defendant Lorand Clayton Reed

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

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Darlington) as set forth below.DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Assault / Assault & Battery 2nd 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 4/29/2025

Signature of Issuing Judge

Valerie Swarts Gardner

Judge Code: 7525Judge's Address 115 Camp RoadDarlington, SC 29532-Judge's Telephone (843)398-4006Issuing Court: ☒ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit

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