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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
March 6, 2026

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Director of Public Information

SLED CHARGES BERKELEY COUNTY MAN WITH VEHICLE FRAUD

The South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) charged Julius Anthony Middleton, 52, with two counts of Possession of a Vehicle with an Altered Vehicle Identification Number and Possession of a Stolen Vehicle – Value \$10,000 or More on Wednesday, March 4, 2026.

Details can be found in the attached warrants.

Middleton was booked into the Hill-Finklea Detention Center in Berkeley County.

The case will be prosecuted by the 9th Circuit Solicitor's Office.

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ARREST WARRANT

2025A0810200061

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Berkeley

THE STATE

against

Julius Anthony Middleton

Address:

Bonneau, SC 29431-3006

Phone: SSN: Sex: M Race: B Height: 6 I Weight: 240

DL State: SC DL #: DOB: 1973 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Alex E Gray - S00756

Offense: Vehicle / Receiving or selling vehicle with falsified VIN number

Offense Code: 0537

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-21-0040(A)(4)

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

Julius Middleton
3-4-2025

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions
300 B California Avenue
PO Box 219
Moncks Corner, SC 29461

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being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Julius Anthony Middleton

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violate the criminal laws of the

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Affiant's Address P. O. Box 21398

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Affiant's Telephone

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Sworn to and subscribed before me

on 1/7/2025

Signature of Issuing Judge

Whilden V. Baggett (Magistrate)

Judge Code: 7238

Judge's Address Post Office Box 6122

Moncks Corner, SC 29461-

Judge's Telephone (843)719-4873

Issuing Court: ☒ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit

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S.C. Attorney General
April 21, 2003
SCCA 618

SOUTH CAROLINA LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION
WARRANT AFFIDAVIT

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SUSPECT INFORMATION

NAME OF SUSPECT: Julius Anthony Middleton

AKA'S OF SUSPECT: Crum

ADDRESS OF SUSPECT: [REDACTED]

CITY, STATE, ZIP: Bonneau, Sc 29431

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

RACE: B SEX: M HEIGHT: 601 WEIGHT: 240 EYES: BRO HAIR: BLK

SCARS, MARKS, TATTOOS : _____ OTHER IDENTIFYING INFO: _____

DOB: [REDACTED] /1973

SSN: [REDACTED]

SCDL [REDACTED]

VIOLATION

STATUTE: 16-21-40 (A) (4) OFFENSE: Possession of a vehicle with an altered vehicle identification number

PROBABLE CAUSE AFFIDAVIT

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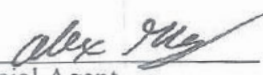
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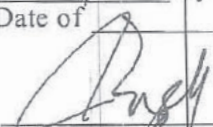
That on July 6, 2023, while at [REDACTED] which is in Berkeley County, the defendant was knowingly and willfully in possession of a stolen 2015 Chevrolet Camaro, vehicle identification number (VIN) [REDACTED] that had been reported stolen through the Dorchester County Sheriff's Office in Dorchester County, SC on December 19, 2018. The vehicle's publicly displayed VIN had been replaced with [REDACTED] fraudulently identifying the vehicle as a 2014 Chevrolet Camaro and done with the sole purpose of disguising the vehicle's true identity.

This information is based on the investigation of Special Agent A. Gray and others who are witnesses to prove the same. All this done against the form of the statute and the law, peace and dignity of the State of South Carolina. **SLED investigation 2024-00950**


Special Agent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

7 day of January 2025
Date of



Issuing Magistrate

Special Agent: Alex Gray
Office Address: 4400 Broad River Rd
Columbia, SC 29100
Telephone: 803.603.8594

ARREST WARRANT

2025A0810200062

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☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Berkeley

THE STATE

against

Julius Anthony Middleton

Address:

Bonneau, SC 29431-3006

Phone:

SSN

Sex: M Race: B Height: 6 1 Weight: 240

DL State: SC DL #:

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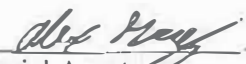
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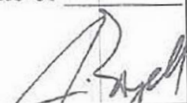
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That on July 6, 2023, while at [REDACTED] which is in Berkeley County, the defendant was knowingly and willfully in possession of a 2015 Ram 1500, vehicle identification number (VIN) [REDACTED] that had the vehicle's publicly displayed VIN removed. That VIN was later found affixed to a 2016 Ram 1500 that had been reported stolen through the Berkeley County Sheriff's Office.

This information is based on the investigation of Special Agent A. Gray and others who are witnesses to prove the same. All this done against the form of the statute and the law, peace and dignity of the State of South Carolina. **SLED investigation 2024-00950**


Special Agent

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7 day of January 2025
Date of _____


Issuing Magistrate

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Office Address: 4400 Broad River Rd
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2025A0810200063

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THE STATE

against

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Address:

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Phone: SSN: Sex: M Race: B Height: 6 1 Weight: 240

DL State: SC DL #: DOB: 1973 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Alex E Gray - S00756

Offense: Vehicle / Poss., conceal, sell., or dispose of stolen vehicle, value \$10,000 or more

Offense Code: 3468

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-21-0080

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SSN: [REDACTED]

SCDL [REDACTED]

VIOLATION

STATUTE: 16-21-80

OFFENSE: Possession of a stolen vehicle

PROBABLE CAUSE AFFIDAVIT

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County of Berkeley

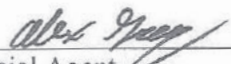
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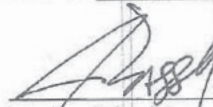
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