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SLED CHARGES DARLINGTON COUNTY WOMAN WITH LOTTERY FRAUD

The South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) charged Stacey Ann McFarland, 55, with Intent to Defraud, Counterfeit Game Tickets on Wednesday, July 8, 2026. The SLED investigation was requested by the South Carolina Education Lottery.

Details can be found in the attached warrant.

McFarland was booked into the Darlington County Detention Center.

The case will be prosecuted by the 4th Circuit Solicitor's Office.

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ARREST WARRANT

2026A1610400457

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Darlington

THE STATE

2026-03877

against

Stacey Ann McFarland

Address:

Hartsville, SC 29550-2978

Phone: SSN: [REDACTED]

Sex: F Race: B Height: 5 6 Weight: 206

DL State: SC DL #: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED] 1971 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: Randall W Duncan - S00266

Offense: Lottery / Intent to defraud, counterfeit game tickets; alter, make, etc.

Offense Code: 2900

Code/Ordinance Sec: 59-150-0260(A)

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

Stacey Ann McFarland
6-8-26Will Duncan
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 Randall W Duncan

who

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Stacey Ann McFarland

did within this county and state on or about 4/2/2026

violate the criminal laws of the

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

Darlington)

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Lottery / Intent to defraud, counterfeit game tickets; alter, make, etc.

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:

That on the dates of April 2, 2026, and April 3, 2026, the defendant, Stacey Ann McFarland, did with intent to defraud the South Carolina Education Lottery (SCEL), pass ninety-three (93) scratch-off lottery tickets at Refuel #253868; which is located at 105 W Bobo Newsome Hwy in Hartsville (Darlington County), South Carolina. The defendant was employed at Refuel #253868 when the theft of the tickets occurred. The defendant did redeem the stolen tickets for cash prizes totaling one thousand one hundred and sixty dollars (\$1,160.00). These acts were captured on video surveillance. The affiant and others are witness to prove the same.

Signature of Affiant

Will Duncan

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Darlington

Affiant's Address P. O. Box 21398

Columbia, SC 29221-

Affiant's Telephone (803)737-9000

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 4/2/2026

defendant Stacey Ann McFarland

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: Lottery / Intent to defraud, counterfeit game tickets; alter, make, etc.

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 6/24/2026

Valerie Swarts Gardner
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