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SLED CHARGES THIRD WOMAN WITH INSURANCE FRAUD AS PART OF AN ONGOING INVESTIGATION

The South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) charged Tationna Lashawn Sowell, 33, with Presenting a False Claim for Insurance Payment – Value $10,000 or More on Tuesday, November 10, 2026. The South Carolina Department of Insurance requested the SLED investigation.

Details can be found in the attached warrant.

Sowell was booked into the Alvin S. Glenn Detention Center in Richland County.

The case will be prosecuted by the South Carolina Department of Insurance.

SLED previously charged Courtney Harris, 34, with Presenting a False Claim for Insurance Payment – Value $10,000 or More on Thursday, November 5, 2026, as part of this investigation.

SLED also charged Shante Elizabeth Bethel, 43, with three counts of Forgery – Value Less Than $10,000 and Presenting a False Claim for Insurance Payment – Value $10,000 or More on Monday, October 26, 2026. Bethel was also charged with Forgery – Value $10,000 or More on Monday, October 19, 2026.

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ARREST WARRANT

2026A4011200633

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of

Richland / Hopkins Magistrate

THE STATE 202603159

against

Tationna Lashawn Sowell

Address: [redacted]

Columbia, SC 29223-4729

Phone: SSN: [redacted]

Sex: F Race: B Height: 5 6 Weight: 187

DL State: SC DL #: [redacted]

DOB: [redacted]/1993 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division

Prosecuting Officer: John P Burnette - S05086

Offense: Insurance / Presenting false claim for insurance payment, value $10,000 or more

Offense Code: 3510

Code/Ordinance Sec: 38-55-0170

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 Tationna Lashawn Sowell on 11/10/2026

S/A

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

Hopkins Magistrate
5425 Lower Richland Blvd
Hopkins, SC 29061

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of)
Richland / Hopkins Magistrate)

AFFIDAVIT

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

Personally appeared before me the affiant John P Burnette who being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Tationna Lashawn Sowell did within this county and state on or about 10/19/2025 violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of [X] County/ [ ] Municipality of Richland / Hopkins Magistrate) in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Insurance / Presenting false claim for insurance payment, value $10,000 or more

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:

Between October 19, 2025, and March 3, 2026, in Richland County, SC, the defendant Tationna Lashawn Sowell knowingly made false statements and misrepresentations which were the basis for presenting a false insurance claim. Sowell's statements to police and Enterprise Rent-A-Car Rental Claims Services stated that she did not know the alleged victim. Affiant discovered the two had a previous relationship. Furthermore, the circumstances and statements made to obtain a police report were false, implicating Sowell as a coconspirator for presenting a false insurance claim. The claim totaling $223,176.27 was submitted to Enterprise Rent-A-Car rental claims services for claim [redacted] by the alleged victim in the incident. This affiant presents these investigative facts based on witness statements and electronic records.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of)
Richland / Hopkins Magistrate)

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 10/19/2025 defendant Tationna Lashawn Sowell did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of [X] County/ [ ] Municipality of Richland / Hopkins Magistrate) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Insurance / Presenting false claim for insurance payment, value $10,000 or more

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 11/3/2026

(L.S.)

Signature of Issuing Judge

Valerie R. Stroman

Judge Code: 5021

Judge's Address 5425 Lower Richland Blvd
Hopkins, SC 29061-

Judge's Telephone (803)576-2530

Issuing Court: [X] Magistrate [ ] Municipal [ ] Circuit

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