



South Carolina Department of Corrections

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For immediate release

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COLUMBIA, S.C. – The SCDC Office of Investigations and Intelligence released the arrest warrant today for additional charges against a former officer at Allendale Correctional Institution.

Tomika Garvin, 32, of Estill, is charged with first-degree sexual misconduct with an inmate. The charges against her involve having a sexual relationship with an inmate, who by law cannot consent.

In August, Garvin was charged with possession with intent to distribute marijuana and LSD and providing contraband to a prisoner. Those charges involve 251.4 grams of a substance believed to be marijuana and LSD hidden on her person as she entered Allendale CI, where she worked.

She was fired after her August arrest.

The S.C. Department of Corrections reminds members of the public that after an arrest, the burden of proof is on the state to prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt within a court of law.

A copy of the arrest warrant is attached.

ARREST WARRANT

2021A0310100046

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Allendale

THE STATE

31-2020-093

against

Tomika Garvin

Address:

Phone:

SSN:

Sex: F Race: B Height: 5 6 Weight: 173

DL State: DL #:

DOB: Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Richard M Darling - S00144

Offense: Sex / First degree sexual misconduct with inmate of correctional facility or patient or trainee of state

Offense Code: 0461

Code/Ordinance Sec: 44-23-1150(C)(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

Tomika Garvin

5-20-21

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions
292 Barnwell Hwy
PO Box 126
Allendale, SC 29810

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Allendale

Personally appeared before me the affiant Richard M Darling

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Tomika Garvin

did within this county and state on or about 7/28/2020

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

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Sex / First degree sexual misconduct with inmate of correctional facility or patient or trainee of state mental health facility

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 July 28, 2020, while at the Allendale Correctional Institution (ACI), 1057 Revolutionary Trail, Fairfax, SC 29827 County of Allendale, the Defendant Tomika Garvin did violate Section 44-23-1150(C)(1) of the South Carolina Code of Laws, Sexual Misconduct with an Inmate of Correctional Facility to wit: The defendant a Correctional Officer (CO) with Allendale Correctional Institution, knowing that the victim is a inmate of the South Carolina Department of Corrections did knowingly and willingly have sexual intercourse with the victim. The victim is not capable of providing consent for sexual intercourse or sexual contact. The Defendant did communicate via text messages to the victim discussing the sexual acts and the possibility of being pregnant by the victim. The Defendant discussed the sexual acts with other witnesses. Probable cause is based on witness statements, communication between victim and the defendant.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Allendale

Affiant's Address: P.O. Box 21787

Columbia, SC 29221-1787

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 7/28/2020

defendant Tomika Garvin

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

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Allendale

) as set forth below.

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Sex / First degree sexual misconduct with inmate of correctional facility or patient or trainee of state mental health facility

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 5/18/2021

Signature of Issuing Judge

John Alonzo Chaney

Judge Code: 7086

Judge's Address 160 Law Enforcement Court

Fairfax, SC 29827-

Judge's Telephone (803)584-3755

Issuing Court: ☒ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit

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