



South Carolina Department of Corrections

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For immediate release

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COLUMBIA, S.C. – The SCDC Inspector General released arrest warrants today for a correctional officer at Tyger River Correctional Institution.

Kevin Leroy Howard, 36, of Fountain Inn, is charged with trafficking methamphetamines, possession of marijuana with intent to distribute, providing prisoners with contraband, misconduct in office and criminal conspiracy. Howard was discovered attempting to bring cylinders filled with contraband concealed in his dinner. He was fired.

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.

Copies of the arrest warrants are attached.

ARREST WARRANT

2023A4210500020

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Spartanburg

THE STATE

05-2023-011

against

Kevin Leroy Howard

Address:

Phone: SSN:

Sex: M Race: W Height: 5 6 Weight: 200

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Matthew B Watson - S00870

Offense: Prisoners / Contraband, possession by prisoner,
furnishing or attempt to furnish prisoner with

Offense Code: 0074

Code/Ordinance Sec: 24-03-0950

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:

General Sessions
180 Magnolia Street
P O Box 3483
Spartanburg, SC 29304

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Personally appeared before me the affiant Matthew B Watson

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violate the criminal laws of the

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in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Prisoners / Contraband, possession by prisoner, furnishing or attempt to furnish prisoner with

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 July 20, 2023, in the county of Spartanburg, one Kevin Leroy Howard did furnish or attempt to furnish contraband to a
prisoner at and/or possess contraband. The contraband is listed on a published and conspicuously located list of contraband items.
Warrant based on police investigation. tgm

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Spartanburg

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 7/20/2023

defendant Kevin Leroy Howard

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) as set forth below:

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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 7/21/2023

Signature of Issuing Judge

Tina Mcmillan

Judge Code: 7193

(L.S.)

Judge's Address 5854 Reidville Rd

Moore, SC 29369-

Judge's Telephone (864)274-6257

Issuing Court: ☒ Magistrate☐ Municipal☐ Circuit

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ARREST WARRANT

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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THE STATE

05-2023-011

against

Kevin Leroy Howard

Address:

Phone:

SSN

Sex: M Race: W Height: 5 6 Weight: 200

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Matthew B Watson - S00870

Offense: Conspiracy / Criminal Conspiracy, Common Law
conspiracy defined

Offense Code: 0049

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-17-0410

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in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Conspiracy / Criminal Conspiracy, Common Law conspiracy defined

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 July 20, 2023 in the city/county of Spartanburg, one Kevin Leroy Howard did with unlawfully plan or scheme to
accomplish the crime of introduction of contraband into Tyger River Correctional Institution by unlawful means. Warrant based on
Police investigation, tgm

Signature of Affiant

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Columbia, SC 29221-1787

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S.C. Attorney General
April 21, 2003
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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

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THE STATE

05-2023-011

against

Kevin Leroy Howard

Address:

Phone: SSN:

Sex: M Race: W Height: 5 6 Weight: 200

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Matthew B Watson - S00870

Offense: Drugs / Trafficking in meth. or cocaine base - 200 g or more, but less than 400 g

Offense Code: 0369

Code/Ordinance Sec: 44-53-0375(C)(4)

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DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Drugs / Trafficking in meth. or cocaine base - 200 g or more, but less than 400 g

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 July 20, 2023, in the county of Spartanburg, one Kevin Leroy Howard did commit the crime of Drugs / Trafficking in meth. or cocaine base - 200 g or more, but less than 400 gin that he did attempt to introduct in Tyger River Corretional Institute. Warrant based on police investigation. tgm

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

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Affiant's Address P.O. Box 21787

Columbia, SC 29221-1787

Affiant's Telephone

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THE STATE

05-2023-011

against

Kevin Leroy Howard

Address:

Phone:

SSN

Sex: M Race: W Height: 5 6 weight: 200

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Matthew B Watson - S00870

Offense: Drugs / Manuf., poss. of other sub. in Sch. I, II, III
or flunitrazepam or analogue, w.i.t.d. - 1st offense

Offense Code: 0186

Code/Ordinance Sec: 44-53-0370(b)(2)

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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 July 20, 2023 in the city/county of Spartanburg, one Kevin Leroy Howard did aid, abet, attempt or conspire to manufacture,
distribute, dispense, deliver, purchase and or possess, with the intent to manufacture, distribute, dispense, deliver, or purchase, a
controlled substance or a controlled substance analogue classified in Schedule I (b) and (c) which is a narcotic drug or lysergic acid
diethylamide (LSD) or in Schedule II which is a narcotic drug attempting to introduce it into Tyger River Correctional Institute.
Warrant based on police investigation. tgm

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

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Affiant's Address P.O. Box 21787

Columbia, SC 29221-1787

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ARREST WARRANT

2023A4210500024

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

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THE STATE

05-2023-011

against

Kevin Leroy Howard

Address:

Phone:

SSN:

Sex: M Race: W Height: 5 6 Weight: 200

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Matthew B Watson - S00870

Offense: Misconduct / Misconduct in office, malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasance

Offense Code: 0819

Code/Ordinance Sec: 00-00-0000

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That on July 20, 2023, in the county of Spartanburg, one Kevin Leroy Howard did commit the crime of Misconduct / Misconduct in office, malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasance in that he did attempt to introduce contraband into the Tyger River Correctional Institute. Warrant based on police investigation. tgm

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