



South Carolina Department of Corrections

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COLUMBIA, S.C. – The SCDC Inspector General released the arrest warrant today for a Columbia woman on charges of misconduct in office while employed as a correctional officer.

Makesha Fair, 46, is charged with misconduct in office involving an incident that took place March 10, 2022, at Gilliam Psychiatric Hospital within Kirkland Correctional Institution in Columbia.

Fair's charges include falsifying a report to conceal the assault of an incarcerated inmate, falsely reporting the events, omitting her actions from the report, giving verbal direction to other correctional officers who witnessed the assault to omit details in their reports and withholding video evidence of the assault. Probable cause is based on victim and witness statements, written reports and video evidence. She resigned before the investigation was complete.

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

2022A4010500272

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/ Municipality of

Richland / Dutch Fork Magistrate

THE STATE 33-2022-057 against

Makesha Fair

Address:

Phone: SSN

Sex: F Race: B Height: 5 3 Weight: 196

DL State: SC DL#: AGENCY ORI #: SC040095C

DOB: Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Brian M Rowe - S02775

Offense: Misconduct in Office

Offense Code: 0819

Code Ordinance Sec: 17-25-0030

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 Makesha Fair

on July, 31, 2022

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

Richland County General Sessions
1701 Main Street
P O Box 192
Columbia, SC 29202

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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Personally appeared before me the affiant Brian M Rowe who

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Makesha Fair

did within this county and state on or about 3/10/2022

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of County/ Municipality of Richland / Dutch Fork Magistrate

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Misconduct in Office

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 March 10, 2022, at the Gilliam Psychiatric Hospital, within the Kirkland Correctional Institution located at 4344 Broad River Road, Columbia SC 29210, within Richland County, SC, the Defendant, Makesha Fair, a sworn Correctional Officer, did with malice and aforethought, falsely report in order to conceal the assault of an inmate lawfully incarcerated within the South Carolina Department of Corrections by a Correctional Officer, to wit: The Defendant falsely reported the events which transpired by willfully omitting her actions from her written report, giving verbal direction to other Correctional Officers who witnessed the assault, to omit details of the assault in their reports, and withholding video evidence of the assault. The Defendant willfully provided and supported false, misleading, incomplete, deceitful, and incorrect information. Probable Cause is based on victim and witness statements, written reports, and video evidence. Affiant and others are witness to prove same.

Signature of Affiant: Brian M Rowe

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/ Municipality of

Richland / Dutch Fork Magistrate

Affiant's Address 4444 Broad River Road

Columbia, SC 29210-

Affiant's Telephone (803)896-8507

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 3/10/2022 defendant Makesha Fair

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

County/ Municipality of Richland / Dutch Fork Magistrate as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Misconduct in Office

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 8/18/2022

Judge's Address Dutch Fork District

Columbia, SC 29210-

Judge's Telephone (803)576-2540

Issuing Court: Magistrate Municipal Circuit

Signature of Issuing Judge: Michael David Scott Judge Code: 7397

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