



South Carolina Department of Corrections

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For immediate release
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COLUMBIA, S.C. – The SCDC Inspector General released the arrest warrants today for a former inmate at Lieber Correctional Institution for sextortion and money laundering charges.

Christopher Lewis Dendy Jr., 27, is charged with blackmail/extortion, money laundering, possession of a cellphone by a prisoner and violating the Computer Crime Act. The charges involve creating a fake profile on a dating app, exchanging sexual photos with a victim, then claiming to be a minor. The inmate is charged with extorting more than \$27,000 from the victim, who lived in another state.

Dendy was serving a 10-year sentence for voluntary manslaughter, armed robbery and drug charges, and was scheduled to be released April 1 to community supervision in Greenville County. Instead, he was released to the custody of the Dorchester County Detention Center, where he was served with criminal charges. His bond was set today at \$210,000 cash.

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

2025A1810200232

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Dorchester

THE STATE

against

Christopher Lewis Dendy, Jr

Address:

Phone: SSN:

Sex: M Race: B Height: 6 2 Weight: 200

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C D C Office Of The Inspector General

Prosecuting Officer:

Offense: Blackmail / Blackmail or Extortion

Offense Code: 0030

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-17-0640

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 Christopher Dendy
on 4-1-25

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions
5200 E. Jim Bilton Blvd.
St. George, SC 29477

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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Personally appeared before me the affiant

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Christopher Lewis Dendy, Jr

did within this county and state on or about 3/24/2024

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

Dorchester

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Blackmail / Blackmail or Extortion

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:

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED AFFIDAVIT.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Dorchester

Affiant's Address

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 3/24/2024 defendant Christopher Lewis Dendy, Jr

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

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Dorchester

) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Blackmail / Blackmail or Extortion

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 3/17/2025

Signature of Issuing Judge
Peter Brandt Shelbourne

Judge Code: 7175

Judge's Address Troy Knight Judicial Complex

Summerville, SC 29483-4707

Judge's Telephone (843)832-0370

Issuing Court: ☒ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit



South Carolina Department of Corrections Office of Inspector General

Warrant Affidavit



On or between the dates of March 24, 2024, and October 22, 2024, the defendant, Christopher Lewis Dendy Jr. did commit the crime of Blackmail/Extortion when he accused the victim, [REDACTED] of a crime he knew to be uncommitted with the intent to extort money from him. Evidence obtained during the investigation proved that the defendant, while using a contraband cell phone, created a fictitious female profile on a dating app and "matched" with the victim. Upon matching, a conversation began which resulted in the exchange of images that were sexual in nature between the victim and who he thought to be legal aged female named "[REDACTED]". The defendant then contacted the victim claiming that "[REDACTED]" was a minor and threatened him with criminal exploitation charges unless he made monetary payments to the defendant. The victim suffered a financial loss of over \$27,000. The defendant was a lawfully incarcerated SC Department of Corrections inmate at Lieber Correctional Institution, located within the county of Dorchester, SC during the time frame of which the crime was committed.



ARREST WARRANT

2025A1810200231

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Dorchester

THE STATE
against

Christopher Lewis Dendy, Jr

Address: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED] SSN [REDACTED]

Sex: M Race: B Height: 6 2 Weight: 200

DL State: SC DL #: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED] Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C D C Office Of The Inspector General

Prosecuting Officer: [REDACTED]

Offense: Securities / Knowingly attempts or conducts
financial transaction with proceeds of unlawful

Offense Code: 3938

Code/Ordinance Sec: 35-11-0740(A)(1)

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(L.S.)

Signature of Judge

Date: [REDACTED]

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4-1-25

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Personally appeared before me the affiant [REDACTED] who
being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Christopher Lewis Dendy, Jr
did within this county and state on or about 3/24/2024 violate the criminal laws of the
State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Dorchester)
in the following particulars:DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Securities / Knowingly attempts or conducts financial transaction with proceeds of unlawful activity, to
promote or conceal >\$20,000 <\$100,000I 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:

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED AFFIDAVIT.

Signature of Affiant [REDACTED]

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Dorchester

Affiant's Address [REDACTED]

Affiant's Telephone [REDACTED]

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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 3/24/2024 defendant Christopher Lewis Dendy, Jr
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Form Approved by
S.C. Attorney General
April 21, 2003
SCCA 518



South Carolina Department of Corrections Office of Inspector General

Warrant Affidavit

On or between the dates of March 24, 2024, and October 22, 2024, the defendant, Christopher Lewis Dendy Jr. did commit the crime of Money Laundering, greater than \$20,000 but less than \$100,000 when he accepted financial transactions totaling over \$27,000 from the victim, [REDACTED] that he knew to be proceeds of unlawful activity (Extortion) and did so in manner as to disguise ownership and control of the proceeds. The defendant was a lawfully incarcerated SC Department of Corrections inmate at Lieber Correctional Institution located within the county of Dorchester, SC during the time frame of which the crime was committed.

Evidence obtained during the investigation proved that the defendant, while using a contraband cell phone, created a fictitious female profile on a dating app and "matched" with the victim. Upon matching, a conversation began which resulted in the exchange of images that were sexual in nature between the victim and who he thought to be a legal aged female named "[REDACTED]." The defendant then contacted the victim claiming that "[REDACTED]" was a minor and threatened him with criminal exploitation charges unless he made monetary payments to the defendant.

The victim suffered a financial loss of over \$27,000 through a series of Cash App payments made to two accounts provided, accessed and utilized by the defendant. Per records obtained from Block Inc. (Cash App) the accounts were listed under the alias names of [REDACTED]

ARREST WARRANT

2025A1810200233

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Dorchester

THE STATE

against

Christopher Lewis Dendy, Jr

Address:

Phone: SSN:

Sex: M Race: B Height: 6 2 Weight: 200

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: SCD Office of the Inspector General

Prosecuting Officer:

Offense: Computer / Computer Crime Act, value exceeds \$10,000-First degree(formerly CDR 426)

Offense Code: 3110

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-16-0020(2)

This warrant is CERTIFIED FOR SERVICE in the

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Warrant Affidavit

On or between the dates of March 24, 2024, and October 22, 2024, the defendant, Christopher Lewis Dendy Jr. did commit the crime of Computer Crime Offense, value exceeding \$10,000 when he willfully, knowingly and unlawfully accessed and utilized a contraband cellular device and its networking system for the purpose of executing an extortion scheme to obtain money under false and fraudulent pretenses. The defendant, using the cellular device and networking system caused the victim, [REDACTED] to suffer a financial loss of over \$27,000. The defendant was a lawfully incarcerated SC Department of Corrections inmate at Lieber Correctional Institution located within the county of Dorchester, SC during the time frame of which the crime was committed.

Evidence obtained during the investigation proved that the defendant, while using a contraband cell phone, created a fictitious female profile on a dating app and "matched" with the victim. Upon matching, a conversation began which resulted in the exchange of images that were sexual in nature between the victim and who he thought to be a legal aged female named "[REDACTED]" The defendant then later contacted the victim claiming that "[REDACTED]" was a person under the legal age to transmit/receive sexual in nature images and threatened him with criminal exploitation charges unless he made monetary payments to the defendant.

ARREST WARRANT

2025A1810200230

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Dorchester

THE STATE

against

Christopher Lewis Dendy, Jr

Address:

Phone:

Sex: M Race: B Height: 6'2" Weight: 200

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C D C Office Of The Inspector General

Prosecuting Officer:

Offense: Prisoners / Possession of telecommunication device by SCDC inmate without director authorization

Offense Code: 4124

Code/Ordinance Sec: 4-03-0980(A)

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DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Prisoners / Possession of telecommunication device by SCDC inmate without director authorization (Proximate Cause of Subsequent Felony Offense)

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 or between the dates of March 24, 2024, and October 22, 2024, the defendant, Christopher Lewis Dendy Jr. did commit the crime of Prisoners / Possession of telecommunication device by SCDC inmate without director authorization (Proximate Cause of Subsequent Felony Offense) when he knowingly possessed a contraband cell phone in which he used to commit the felony crimes of Extortion and Money Laundering. The defendant was a lawfully incarcerated inmate of the SC Department of Corrections, housed at Lieber Correctional Institution located within the county of Dorchester, SC and said device was located and confiscated from the defendant while inside his cell on October 23, 2024. Probable cause based on OIG Investigation.

Signature of Affiant

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