



## **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 correctional officer at Lieber Correctional Institution.

John Charles Meyers, 30, of Cottageville, is charged with trafficking Fentanyl, possession of marijuana with intent to distribute, criminal conspiracy and providing contraband to prisoners. The charges involve bringing 10 grams of Fentanyl, 212 grams of marijuana, vapes, THC wax, a cellphone, digital scales and other contraband into the prison when he reported for work. 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

2025A1810201008

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Dorchester

THE STATE

01-2025-072

against

John Charles Meyers

Address:

Phone:

SSN

Sex: M Race: W Height: 5 7 Weight: 180

DL State: DL #:

DOB: Agency ORI #: SC040095C

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

Prosecuting Officer: Joshua T Anderson - S01022

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 10/28/2025

Signature of Constable or Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

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

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Dorchester

Personally appeared before me the affiant Joshua T Anderson

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant John Charles Meyers

did within this county and state on or about

10/28/2025

violate the criminal laws of the

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of

☒ County/☐ Municipality of

Dorchester

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:

On October 28, 2025, in the County of Dorchester, Town of Ridgeville, John C. Meyers did commit the offense of attempt to furnish contraband to a prisoner at Lieber Correctional Institution located at 136 Wilborn Ave, Ridgeville, SC, 29472. Defendant did enter the institution under the premise for the purpose of working as a South Carolina Department of Corrections Correctional Officer. Incident to a search of defendant's person defendant was found to be in unlawful possession of five electronic scales, one blue iPhone 17 pro, one white charging cable, four electronic THC inhalation devices, and two jars of THC wax. The Director of the South Carolina Department of Corrections has deemed these items as contraband. This being in violation of SC Statute 24-03-0950 code of laws as amended. The above is evidenced by LCI incident reports, LCI surveillance video, seizure of packages, and interviews with defendant and staff. Affiant, witnesses and others to prove same.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Dorchester

Affiant's Address P.O. Box 21787

Columbia, SC 29221-1787

Affiant's Telephone

803 543 1517

## 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 10/28/2025

defendant John Charles Meyers

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

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 10/29/2025

Signature of Issuing Judge

Juliana Beeks Stewart

Judge Code: 7502

(L.S.)

Judge's Address

Troy Knight Judicial Complex

Summerville, SC 29483-

Judge's Telephone

(843)832-0370

Issuing Court:

☒ Magistrate☐ Municipal☐ Circuit

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

2025A1810201009

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/☐ Municipality of

Dorchester

THE STATE

01-2026-072

against

John Charles Meyers

Address:

Phone: SSN:

Sex: M Race: W Height: 5 7 Weight: 180

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: Agency ORI #: SC040095C

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

Prosecuting Officer: Joshua T Anderson - S01022

Offense: Conspiracy / Criminal Conspiracy, Common Law  
conspiracy defined

Offense Code: 0049

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-17-0410

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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:

On October 28, 2025, in the County of Dorchester, Town of Ridgeville, John C. Meyers did commit the offense of Criminal Conspiracy, in that defendant did along with another, unlawfully plan or scheme to accomplish an unlawful act by introducing unlawful contraband to inmates incarcerated at Lieber Correctional Institution. Defendant did enter the institution under the premise for the purpose of working as a South Carolina Department of Corrections Correctional Officer. Incident to a search of defendant's person defendant was found to be in unlawful possession of five electronic scales, approximately 212 grams of Marijuana, approximately 10 grams of Fentanyl, one blue iPhone 17 pro, one white charging cable, four electronic THC inhalation devices, and two jars of THC wax. This being in violation of SC Statute 16-17-0410 code of laws as amended. The above is evidenced by LCI incident reports, LCI surveillance video, seizure of packages, and interviews with defendant and staff.

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defendant John Charles Meyers

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

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DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE:

Conspiracy / Criminal Conspiracy, Common Law conspiracy defined

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Sworn to and subscribed before me  
on 10/29/2025Signature of Issuing Judge  
Juliana Beeks Stewart

Judge Code: 7502

(L.S.)

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Issuing Court:

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## ARREST WARRANT

2025A1810201011

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/☐ Municipality of

Dorchester

THE STATE

01-2025-072

against

John Charles Meyers

Address:

Phone:

SSN:

Sex: M Race: W Height: 5 7 Weight: 180

DL State: SC DL #: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED] Agency ORI #: SC040095C

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

Prosecuting Officer: Joshua T Anderson - S01022

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:On October 28, 2025, in the County of Dorchester, Town of Ridgeville, John C. Meyers did commit the offense of Possession with  
the Intent to Distribute Marijuana. Defendant did enter the Lieber Correctional Institution, located at 136 Wilborn Ave, Ridgeville,  
SC, 29472 under the premise of working as a South Carolina Department of Corrections Correctional Officer. Incident to a search of  
defendant's person defendant was found to be in unlawful possession of approximately 212 grams of Marijuana. In close proximity  
on the defendants body were packaged digital scales. This being in violation of SC Statute 44-53-370(b)(2) code of laws as  
amended. The above is evidenced by LCI incident reports, LCI surveillance video, seizure of packages, and interviews with  
defendant and staff. Affiant, witnesses and others to prove same.

Signature of Affiant

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John Charles Meyers

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

☒ County/☐ Municipality of

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) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE:

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soon thereafter as is practicable

Sworn to and subscribed before me

on 10/29/2025

Signature of Issuing Judge

Juliana Beeks Stewart

Judge Code: 7502

(L.S.)

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Summerville, SC 29483-

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Issuing Court:

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

## ARREST WARRANT

2025A1810201012

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Dorchester

THE STATE

01-2025-072

against

John Charles Meyers

Address:

Phone: SSN: [REDACTED]  
Sex: M Race: W Height: 5 7 Weight: 180

DL State: SC DL #: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED] Agency ORI #: SC040095C

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

Prosecuting Officer: Joshua T Anderson - S01022

Offense: Drugs / Trafficking in Fentanyl, 4 grams or more,  
but less than 14 grams - 1st offense

Offense Code: 4083

Code/Ordinance Sec: 44-53-0370(e)(9)

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the crime set forth and that probable cause is based on the following facts:

On October 28, 2025, in the County of Dorchester, Town of Ridgeville, John C. Meyers did commit the offense of Trafficking in Fentanyl more than 4 grams less than 14 grams a schedule controlled substance listed under SC Statute 44-53-0370 (e)(9). Defendant did enter the Lieber Correctional Institution located at 136 Wilborn Ave, Ridgeville, SC, 29472 for the purpose of working as a South Carolina Department of Corrections Correctional Officer. Incident to a search of defendant's person, defendant was found to be in unlawful possession of a quantity of approximately 10 grams of a white powdery substance. This white powdery substance tested presumptive positive for Fentanyl. The above is evidenced by LCI incident reports, LCI surveillance video, seizure of the package, and interviews with defendant and staff. This being in violation of SC Statue code of laws as amended. Affiant, witnessess and others to prove same.

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