



South Carolina Department of Corrections

Dec. 31, 2025

For immediate release

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

Patricia Robertson, 60, of Sumter, is charged with providing contraband to prisoners and misconduct in office. The charges involve bringing 461.7 grams of tobacco into the prison in her work bag. She 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

2025A4310200365

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Sumter

THE STATE

02-2025-121

against

Patricia Robertson

Address:

Sumter, SC 29150-

Phone:

SSN:

Sex: F Race: Height: 5 3 216

S C D C Office Of The Inspector General

Prosecuting Officer: Shannon B Mixon - S01031

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

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 Patricia Robertson

on 12-30-2025 @ 11:16 AM

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions
215 N. Harvin St.
Sumter, SC 29150

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Sumter

Personally appeared before me the affiant Shannon B Mixon

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Patricia Robertson

did within this county and state on or about 12/29/2025

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

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Misconduct / Misconduct in office, malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasance

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 December 29, 2025, at Wateree River Correctional Institution (WRCI) located at Hwy 261, Rembert SC, in the county of Sumter South Carolina, the defendant Patricia G. Robertson did violate SC Code of Laws 17-25-0030 Misconduct in Office malfeasance, misfeasance, nonfeasance to wit: Robertson who is a sworn correctional officer with the South Carolina Department of Corrections (SCDC) did conceal three vacuum sealed bags of brown leafy substance inside her SCDC work bag which she admitted post Miranda was tobacco she purchased, had vacuum sealed and intended to smuggle inside WRCI for an SCDC inmate. Robertson brought the brown leafy substance inside WRCI when she reported for work.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Sumter

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 12/29/2025 defendant Patricia Robertson

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

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Sumter) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Misconduct / Misconduct in office, malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasance

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 12/30/2025

Signature of Issuing Judge

William Mattison Gamble

Judge Code: 7405

(L.S.)

Judge's Address Post Office Box 1428

Sumter, SC 29151-

Judge's Telephone (803)436-2280

Issuing Court: ☒ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit

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Form Approved by
S.C. Attorney General
April 21, 2003
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DOB: Agency ORI #: SC040095C

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

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

Offense Code: 0074

Code/Ordinance Sec: 24-03-0950

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