



South Carolina Department of Corrections

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COLUMBIA, S.C. – A former correctional officer was found guilty Thursday and sentenced to serve six years prison for introducing contraband into Trenton Correctional Institution.

Janean Lateefah Dunbar, 41, of Aiken, was found guilty of possession with intent to distribute marijuana, furnishing contraband to an inmate and misconduct in office.

Edgefield Circuit Judge William Keesley sentenced Dunbar to serve 10 years, suspended to six, plus five years probation.

Dunbar's charges stem from her arrest in June 2018, when she was paid by an inmate to bring drugs into the institution, court documents show.

The S.C. Department of Corrections pursues criminal charges against any person who is found to bring or attempt to bring contraband into an institution. This is one of the longest sentences imposed on a correctional officer in recent years

"I'd like to thank Solicitor Rick Hubbard and his team for prosecuting this very serious matter," S.C. Department of Corrections Director Bryan Stirling said. "Anytime someone brings contraband into an institution and breaks the public trust, there needs to be consequences."

Copies of the arrest warrants are attached.

ARREST WARRANT

2018A1910100265

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Edgefield

THE STATE
against

Janean Lateefah Dunbar

Address: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED] SSN: [REDACTED]

Sex: F Race: B Height: 6 Weight: 270

DL State: SC DL #: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED] Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Evan M Garis - S00145

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 ofThe accused
is to be arrested and brought before me to be
dealt with according to the law.

(L.S.)

Signature of Judge

Date: [REDACTED]

RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to
defendant Janean Dunbar
on 6-5-18Dep. Atty. Gen. Mason
Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions
129 Courthouse Square
P O Box 34
Edgefield, SC 29824

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AFFIDAVIT

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Form Approved by
S.C. Attorney General
April 21, 2003
SCCA 518Personally appeared before me the affiant Evan M Garis who
being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Janean Lateefah Dunbar
did within this county and state on or about 6/4/2018 violate the criminal laws of the
State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Edgefield)
in the following particulars:DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Misconduct / Misconduct in office, malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasanceI 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 June 4, 2018 the defendant Janean Dunbar, a sworn officer with the SC Department of Corrections did willfully, dishonestly and
with corrupt intent, engaged in corruption, in the form of malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasance, by committing acts in violation
of her duty of good faith, honesty, and accountability of public trust as a State Correctional Officer. These acts include bringing in a
contraband package containing approximately eighty six grams of a white crystal substance believed to be Methamphetamine, four
hundred and eight grams of marijuana, blunt wraps and black and mild cigars. The defendant did admit to these acts and the package
was found on her person. This incident occurred at 84 Greenhouse Road, Edgefield County, S.C. The affiant and others are witness
to prove the same.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Edgefield

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 6/4/2018 defendant Janean Lateefah Dunbardid violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of
☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Edgefield) as set forth below:DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Misconduct / Misconduct in office, malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasanceHaving 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 6/5/2018Signature of Issuing Judge
James Alexander McLaurin Jr. (L.S.)Judge Code: 7200Judge's Address Post Office Box 664
Edgefield, SC 29824-Judge's Telephone (803)637-4090Issuing Court: ☒ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit

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Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Evan M Garriss - S00145

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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Marijuana, approximately eighty six grams of a crystal substance that field tested positive for Methamphetamine, blunt wraps and
black and mild cigars. The defendant stated that she was paid one thousand dollars to pick the package up and bring it into the
facility. These items have been deemed contraband by the director of the South Carolina Department of Corrections. This incident
occurred at 84 Greenhouse Road, Edgefield County, S.C. The affiant and others are witness to prove the same.

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on 6/5/2018James Alexander McLaurin Jr.
Signature of Issuing JudgeJudge Code: 7200

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Judge's Address Post Office Box 664
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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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