



South Carolina Department of Corrections

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COLUMBIA, S.C. – The S.C. Department of Corrections Police Services released the arrest warrants today for Cameasa Cunningham, 37, of Kingstree.

Cunningham, who was working as a sergeant at Turbeville Correctional Institution, was charged with furnishing or attempting to furnish a prisoner with contraband and misconduct in office. She was fired after her arrest.

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

2019A1410100460

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Clarendon

THE STATE
against

Cameasa Patrice Cunningham

Address: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED] SSN [REDACTED]
 Sex: F Race: B Height: 5 2 Weight: 196
 DL State: SC DL #: [REDACTED]
 DOB: [REDACTED] Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Shannon B Mixon - S00301

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 CAMEASA CUNNINGHAMon 8/23/19

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions
 Post Office Box 136
 3 West Keitt Street
 Manning, SC 29102

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Clarendon

Personally appeared before me the affiant Shannon B Mixon who
 being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Cameasa Patrice Cunningham
 did within this county and state on or about 8/23/2019 violate the criminal laws of the
 State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Clarendon)
 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 August 23, 2019, while at the Turbeville Correctional Institution (TCI) located at 1578 Clarence Coker Hwy, Turbeville SC,
 29162 Clarendon County, Cameasa Cunningham did violate Section 24-3-950 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, Prisoners /
 Contraband, furnishing or attempt to furnish prisoner with. Facts to prove the same are as follows: The Defendant is a sworn
 Correctional Officer with South Carolina Department of Corrections. Upon a lawful Search of the Defendants Book Bag Agent with
 SCDC Police Service's did locate 10 boxes of Newport Cigarettes wrapped in clear plastic wrap, 7 cigarette lighters, and a clear
 plastic bag containing 280 Grams of loose tobacco. Four Cellphones wrapped in plastic wrap were located in a South Carolina
 Department of Corrections van the defendant had driven into the institution. Tobacco and cell phones are considered Contraband by
 the Director of SCDC and is a crime to introduce them into a Correctional Institution. SCDC #31-2019-111

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Clarendon

Affiant's Address P.O. Box 21787
Columbia, SC 29221-1787
 Affiant's Telephone (803)896-5214

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 8/23/2019 defendant Cameasa Patrice Cunningham

did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of
☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Clarendon) 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 8/23/2019

Signature of Issuing Judge

Marcia N. Frye

Judge Code: 7244

(L.S.)

Judge's Address 102 South Mill Street
Manning, SC 29102-

Judge's Telephone (803)435-2670

Issuing Court: ☒ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit

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 S.C. Attorney General
 April 21, 2003
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ARREST WARRANT

2019A1410100459

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☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Clarendon

THE STATE
against

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Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Shannon B Mixon - S00301

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

Offense Code: 0819

Code/Ordinance Sec: 17-25-0030

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