



South Carolina Department of Corrections

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For immediate release

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COLUMBIA, S.C. – The S.C. Department of Corrections Police Services released the arrest warrant today for Gwendolyn Fetter, a correctional officer at Turbeville Correctional Institution.

Fetter, 47, of Manning, is charged with furnishing a prisoner with contraband. The charges against her involve bringing 40 Newport cigarettes into the prison in the pocket of her cargo pants. 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.

A copy of the arrest warrant is attached.

ARREST WARRANT

2020A1410100505

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Clarendon

THE STATE

against

Gwendolyn Fetter

Address:

Phone:

Sex: F Race: W Height: 5 4 Weight: 215

DL State: DL #:

DOB: Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Ryan S Mcdowell - S00297

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 ofThe 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 Gwendolyn Fetter
on 9.3.2020

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 Ryan S Mcdowell whobeing duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Gwendolyn Fetterdid within this county and state on or about 9/3/2020

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:That on September 3, 2020, at Turbeville Correctional Institution, 1578 Clarence Coker Hwy. in the Turbeville area of the county of
Clarendon, one Gwendolyn Fetter did furnish or attempt to furnish contraband to a prisoner at and/or possess contraband (tobacco)
. On the morning of September 3, 2020, Defendant reported to work for her normal shift. Upon submitting to the body scanner,
Capt. Ruth noticed that Defendant had something in her left cargo pocket. Upon searching Defendant, Capt. Ruth located a plastic
bag containing 40 Newport cigarettes and SCDC Police Services agents were notified. While under Miranda, Defendant provided a
written statement admitting her intention to bring the cigarettes to an inmate. Inmate was to pay her back at a later time via a
CashApp account, using money he made from selling the cigarettes. The contraband is listed on a published and conspicuously
located list of contraband items.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Clarendon

Affiant's Address P.O. Box 21787Columbia, 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 9/3/2020defendant Gwendolyn Fetter

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 meon 9/3/2020Signature of Issuing Judge
Janice L. ConeyJudge Code: 7307Judge's Address Post Office Box 371Manning, SC 29102-Judge's Telephone (803)435-2670Issuing Court: ☒ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit

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

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