



South Carolina Department of Corrections

March 8, 2021

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COLUMBIA, S.C. – The SCDC Office of Investigations and Intelligence released the arrest warrants today for Cinnamon Demetria Chantell Towns, a correctional officer at Camille Graham Correctional Institution.

Towns, 29, of Lexington, is charged with trafficking in methamphetamines more than 28 grams, furnishing contraband to a prisoner, criminal conspiracy and misconduct in office. Her charges involve bringing two packages of meth into the prison hidden in a fast food container. 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

2021A4010200864

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Richland Bond Court

THE STATE

362021014

against

Cinnamon Demetria Chantell Towns

Address:

Phone: SSN

Sex: F Race: B Height: 5 10 Weight: 217

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Anne M Bradley - S01078

Offense: Drugs / Trafficking in meth. or cocaine base - 28 g or more, but less than 100 g - 1st offense

Offense Code: 0392

Code/Ordinance Sec: 44-53-0375(C)(2)(a)

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 Cinnamon Demetria Chantell Towns

on 8 MAR 2021

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

Richland County General Sessions
1701 Main Street
P O Box 192
Columbia, SC 29202

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Richland Bond Court

Personally appeared before me the affiant

Anne M Bradley

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant

Cinnamon Demetria Chantell Towns

did within this county and state on or about

3/7/2021

violate the criminal laws of the

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of

☒ County/☐ Municipality of

Richland Bond Court

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE:

Drugs / Trafficking in meth. or cocaine base - 28 g or more, but less than 100 g - 1st offense

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 March 7, 2021, at 4450 Broad River Rd, Columbia, SC, 29210 (Camille Griffin Graham Correctional Institution), in the county of Richland, the def, Cinnamon Towns, a Sworn Correctional Officer with South Carolina Department of Corrections, did attempt to introduce two packages, one wrapped in black electrical tape and one wrapped in masking tape. After intel was received, a follow up investigation was conducted and a search was conducted of her property, which had been brought into CGGCI. The packages were located under a salad in a to-go container from Bojangles, which the def stated she purchased prior to work. The packages contained a white, crystal like substance which field tested positive for Methamphetamine with a field weight of 94.1g. Probable cause is based on the investigation and recovery of evidence. Affiant and others are witness to prove same.

Signature of Affiant

Anne M. Bradley

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Richland Bond Court

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 3/7/2021

defendant Cinnamon Demetria Chantell Towns

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

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Richland Bond Court

) as set forth below:

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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 3/7/2021

Christina A. Pope

(L.S.)

Christina A Pope

Judge Code: 7363

Judge's Address

201 John Mark Dial Drive

Columbia, SC 29209-

Judge's Telephone

(803)576-3282

Issuing Court:

☒ Magistrate☐ Municipal☐ Circuit

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S.C. Attorney General
April 21, 2003
SCCA 518

ARREST WARRANT

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☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Richland Bond Court

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against

Cinnamon Demetria Chantell Towns

Address:

Phone: SSN:

Sex: F Race: B Height: 5 10 Weight: 217

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Anne M Bradley - S01078

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

Offense Code: 0819

Code/Ordinance Sec: 00-00-0000

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Richland Bond Court

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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 March 7, 2021, at 4450 Broad River Rd, Columbia, SC, (Camille Griffin Graham Correctional Institution), in the county of Richland, the def, Cinnamon Towns, a Sworn Correctional Officer with SCDC, did willfully, dishonestly, & with corrupt intent attempt to introduce 3 packages, 1 wrapped in black electrical tape & 2 wrapped in masking tape. After intel was received, a follow up investigation was conducted and a search was conducted of her property, which had been brought into CGGCI. The packages were located under a salad in a to-go container from Bojangles, which the def stated she purchased prior to work. The package wrapped in black electrical tape & 1 wrapped in masking tape, contained a white, crystal like substance which field tested positive for Meth with a field weight of 94.1g. The other package wrapped in masking tape contained tobacco with a field weight of 11g. Probable cause is based on the investigation and recovery of evidence. Affiant and others are witness to prove same.

Signature of Affiant

Anne M. Bradley

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

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Affiant's Address P.O. Box 21787

Columbia, SC 29221-1787

Affiant's Telephone

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Richland Bond Court

) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE:

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

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2021A4010200866

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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THE STATE

362021014

against

Cinnamon Demetria Chantell Towns

Address:

Phone: SSN: Sex: F Race: B Height: 5 10 Weight: 217DL State: SC DL #: DOB: Agency ORI #: SC040095CProsecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections DivisionProsecuting Officer: Anne M Bradley - S01078Offense: Conspiracy / Criminal Conspiracy, Common Law
conspiracy definedOffense Code: 0049Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-17-0410This warrant is CERTIFIED FOR SERVICE in the☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of

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in the following particulars:

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 March 7, 2021, at 4450 Broad River Rd, Columbia, SC, (Camille Griffin Graham Correctional Institution), in the county of Richland, the def, Cinnamon Towns, a Sworn Correctional Officer with SCDC, did conspire with a currently unknown individual, to attempt to introduce three packages, one wrapped in black electrical tape and two wrapped in masking tape. After intel was received, a follow up investigation was conducted, and a search was conducted of her property, which had been brought into CGGC. The packages were located under a salad in a to-go container from Bojangles, which the def stated she purchased prior to work. The package wrapped in black electrical tape and one wrapped in masking tape contained a white, crystal like substance which field tested positive for Meth with a field weight of 94.1g. The other package wrapped in masking tape contained tobacco with a field weight of 11g. Probable cause is based on the investigation and recovery of evidence. Affiant and others are witness to prove same.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me

on 3/7/2021Christina A. Pope
Signature of Issuing Judge

(L.S.)

Christina A Pope

Judge Code: 7363Judge's Address 201 John Mark Dial DriveColumbia, SC 29209-Judge's Telephone (803)576-3282

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Address:

Phone: SSN:

Sex: F Race: B Height: 5 10 Weight: 217

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Anne M Bradley - S01078

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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