



## **South Carolina Department of Corrections**

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For immediate release

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**COLUMBIA, S.C.** – The SCDC Office of Investigations and Intelligence released the arrest warrants today for Nia Mali Bartyzel, a cadet officer at Kershaw Correctional Institution.

Bartyzel, 19, of Rock Hill, is charged with misconduct in office and filing a false police report. Her charges involve engaging in an inappropriate relationship with an inmate. 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

2021A2910100626

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Lancaster

THE STATE

32-2021-032

against

Nia Mali Bartyzel

Address: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED] SSN: [REDACTED]

Sex: F Race: [REDACTED] Height: 5 5 Weight: 140

DL State: SC DL #: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED] Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Cody J Wilson - S00263

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: [REDACTED]

## RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to

defendant Nia Bartyzelon 3-10-2021

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

## RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions  
104 N. Main St.  
P O Box 1809  
Lancaster, SC 29720

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## STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

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Personally appeared before me the affiant Cody J Wilson whobeing duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Nia Mali Bartyzeldid within this county and state on or about 3/ 8/2021 violate the criminal laws of theState of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Lancaster)

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:

That on or about March 8, 2021 at Kershaw Correctional Institution, Lancaster County, South Carolina, Nia Bartyzel an employee with the South Carolina Department of Corrections did commit the offense of Misconduct in Office to wit: Bartyzel did commit acts in violation of her duty of good faith and honesty by engaging in an inappropriate and unlawful relationship with SCDC inmate [REDACTED], by allowing him to suck and kiss on her neck without stopping him. Bartyzel did admit to having romantic feelings for [REDACTED] [REDACTED] admitted to he and Bartyzel being in a relationship for the past few weeks. Probable cause is based on voluntary written statements obtained from Bartyzel and [REDACTED]. SCDC Office of Investigations and Intelligence case 32-2021-032.

Signature of Affiant

## STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Lancaster

Affiant's Address P.O. Box 21787  
Columbia, SC 29221-1787  
Affiant's Telephone (803)543-2333

## 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/ 8/2021 defendant Nia Mali Bartyzel

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

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Lancaster) 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 3/10/2021

Signature of Issuing Judge

Curtisha M. Ingram

Judge Code: 7352

(L.S.)

Judge's Address Lancaster Central Traffic Court  
Lancaster, SC 29721-Judge's Telephone (803)283-3983Issuing Court: ☒ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit

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

## AFFIDAVIT

## ARREST WARRANT

2021A2910100625

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☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Lancaster

THE STATE

32--2021-032

against

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DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Cody J Wilson - S00263

Offense: Report / Filing a false police report of a Felony violation

Offense Code: 2597

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-17-0722(B)

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DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Report / Filing a false police report of a Felony violation

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 or about March 8, 2021 at Kershaw Correctional Institution located 4848 Goldmine Highway Lancaster County, South Carolina, Nia Bartyzel a employee with the South Carolina Department of Corrections did commit the offense of filing a false police report by reporting to SCDC staff along with SCDC Office of Investigations and Intelligence Agents that she had been pulled into a cell by SCDC inmate [REDACTED], where [REDACTED] kissed and sucked on her neck against her will. Bartyzel recanted and admitted that she did not attempt to stop [REDACTED] from kissing her and sucking on her neck and had developed feelings for the [REDACTED]. Probable caused is based on voluntary written statements from Bartyzel and [REDACTED]. SCDC Office of Investigations and Intelligence (OII) case 32-2021-032.

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