

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 a man who tried to help an inmate escape from Ridgeland Correctional Institution.

Brandon Jameson Lee, 36, of Inman, is charged with impersonating a law enforcement officer and aiding in an escape. The charges involve identifying himself as a federal law enforcement officer and attempting to take custody of an inmate. Lee was turned away from the institution and arrested. The inmate is being investigated internally.

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	STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA) County/ X Municipality of) AFFIDAVIT ORIGINAL Form Approved by S. C. Attorney General April 21, 2003 SCCA 518
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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA	Ridgeland Personally appeared before me the affiant Jamie L Fragale with the second
County/ X Municipality of	being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Brandon Jameson Lee
	did within this county and state on or about 7/28/2022 violate the criminal laws of t
Ridgeland	State of South Carolina (or ordinance of County/ X Municipality of Ridgeland
THE STATE 31-2022-090	in the following particulars:
against	DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Impersonating / Impersonating law enforcement officer
Brandon Jameson Lee	
Address:	
Phone: SSN:	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:
Sex: M Race: Height: 5 10 Weight: 225 DL State: SC DL#:	On July 28, 2022, in the County of Jasper City of Ridgeland, one Brandon Jamerson Lee did commit the offense of Impersonating a Law Enforcement Officer for the purpose of aiding & abetting the escape of a South Carolina Department of Corrections prisoner.
DOB: Agency ORI #: SC040095C	Defendant did anter the property of Ridgeland Correctional Institution located at 5 Confectional Rd. in Ridgeland, 50 27750 and
Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division	once therein identified himself as a Federal Law Enforcement Officer for the purpose of aiding & abetting an escape from easterly
Prosecuting Officer: Jamie L Fragale - S00544	SCDC Inmate This is in violation of SC Statute 16-17-0720 code of laws as amended. Affiant, witnesses and others to
Offense: Impersonating / Impersonating law enforcement	prove same.
officer	
Offense Code: 0088	
Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-17-0720	Signature of Affiant
This warrant is CERTIFIED FOR SERVICE in the	STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA Affiant's Address P.O. Box 21787
County/ Municipality of . The accused	County/ X Municipality of) Affiant's Address P.O. Box 21787 Columbia, SC 29221-1787
to be	Ridgeland Affiant's Telephone
is to be arrested and brought before me to be dealt with according to the law.	Rugeland
(L.S.)	ADDEDT WADDANIT
(2.5.)	ARREST WARRANT
Signature of Judge	TO ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THIS STATE OR MUNICIPALITY OR ANY CONSTABLE OF THIS COUNTY:
Date:	It appearing from the above affidavit that there are reasonable grounds to believe the
DETUDA	
RETURN A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to	on or about 7/28/2022 defendant Brandon Jameson Lee
.0	did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of
Soloman State Stat	County/ X Municipality of Ridgeland) as set forth below:
Duly 34, 302x	DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Impersonating / Impersonating law enforcement officer
Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer	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 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
RETURN WARRANT TO:	7/28/2022
General Sessions	Judge's Address (L.S.) Post Office Box 1119 Ridgeland, SC 29936-
265 Russell Street	116111
Po Box 248	Thomas L. Scoggins (Ridgeland)
Ridgeland, SC 299360248	Judge Code: 6563) Issuing Court: Magistrate X Municipal Circuit
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Address			
Phone: SSN:	I further state that there is probable cause the crime set forth and that probable cause is		named above did commit
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DL State: SC DL #: Agency ORI #: SC040095C	Abetting Escape from a State Correctional Facility	y. Defendant did enter the property of R	idgeland Correctional Institution located at
Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division	5 Correctional Rd. in Ridgeland, SC 29936 and of attempted to take custody of South Carolina Depa		Defendant in doing so did violate SC
Prosecuting Officer: Jamie L Fragale - S00544	Statute 16-09-0410 Code of Laws as Amended, A		
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Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-09-0410(C)(1)	Signature of Affiant	(a)) T	
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General Sessions	on 7/28/2022	Judge's Address Post Office Box 11	10
265 Russell Street	(L.S.)	Judge's Address Post Office Box 11 Ridgeland, SC 2993	10000
Po Box 248	Signature of Issuing Judge	Judge's Telephone (843)726-7500	70-
Ridgeland, SC 299360248	Thomas & Scoggins (Ridgeland)		
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