



## South Carolina Department of Corrections

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**COLUMBIA, S.C.** – The SCDC Inspector General released the arrest warrants today for a Laurens County woman on contraband charges involving an inmate at McCormick Correctional Institution.

Krishyia Samone Byrd, 24, is charged with:

- Trafficking in methamphetamines.
- Possession of oxycodone hydrochloride with intent to distribute.
- Possession of marijuana with intent to distribute.
- Drug conspiracy.
- Providing contraband to a prisoner.

Byrd's charges involve attempting to deliver a package of contraband to an inmate during weekend visitation.

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

2023A3510100098

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

McCormick

THE STATE

against

Krishyia Samone Byrd

Address:

Phone:

SSN:

Sex: F Race: Height: 5 3 Weight: 110

DL State: SC DL #: Agency ORI #: SC040095C

DOB: Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Amanda N Gabbard - S00330

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 on

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

## RETURN WARRANT TO:

McCormick Magistrate  
211 West Augusta Street, Extension  
Post Office Box 1116  
McCormick, SC 29835

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

McCormick

Personally appeared before me the affiant Amanda N Gabbard who

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Krishyia Samone Byrd

did within this county and state on or about 3/25/2023 violate the criminal laws of the

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of McCormick )

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:

K-9 SA Gabbard states that the defendant, did in the County of McCormick on March 25, 2023, commit the offense of (Prisoners / Contraband, possession by prisoner, furnishing or attempt to furnish prisoner with ) to wit: that Krishyia Byrd did attempt to deliver a package containing contraband to an inmate with the South Carolina Department of Corrections (SCDC) at McCormick Correctional Institution located at 386 Redemption Way, McCormick, SC 29899. Probable cause based on investigation, recovery of evidence, and statement of witness.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

McCormick

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 3/25/2023 defendant Krishyia Samone Byrd

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

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of McCormick ) 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 3/25/2023

Signature of Issuing Judge (L.S.)  
Patty L. Smith

Judge Code: 5924

Judge's Address Post Office Box 1116  
McCormick, SC 29835-1116

Judge's Telephone (864)852-2316

Issuing Court: ☒ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit

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

2023A3510100095

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

McCormick

THE STATE

against

Krishyia Samone Byrd

Address:

Phone:

SSN:

Sex: F Race: Height: 5 5 vveight: 110

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Amanda N Gabbard - S00330

Offense: Drugs / Attempt and conspiracy, general provisions  
of the drug laws (half the penalty of substantive

Offense Code: 0027

Code/Ordinance Sec: 44-53-0420

This warrant is CERTIFIED FOR SERVICE in the

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being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Krishyia Samone Byrd

did within this county and state on or about 3/25/2023 violate the criminal laws of the

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of McCormick )

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Drugs / Attempt and conspiracy, general provisions of the drug laws (half the penalty of substantive  
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:K-9 SA Gabbard states that the defendant did, in the County of McCormick, on March 25, 2023, commit the offense of (Drugs /  
Attempt and conspiracy) to wit: that Krishyia Brown did attempt to deliver a package containing contraband at McCormick  
Correctional Institution located at 386 Redemption Way, McCormick, SC 29899. Probable cause based on investigation, recovery of  
evidence, and statement of witness.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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Affiant's Address P.O. Box 21787

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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 3/25/2023 defendant Krishyia Samone Byrd

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

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of McCormick ) as set forth below:DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Drugs / Attempt and conspiracy, general provisions of the drug laws (half the penalty of substantive  
offense)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

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## ARREST WARRANT

2023A3510100097

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

McCormick

THE STATE

against

Krishyia Samone Byrd

Address:

Phone: SSN: [REDACTED]  
Sex: F Race: Height: 5 3 Weight: 110

DL State: SC DL #: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED] Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Amanda N Gabbard - S00330

Offense: POSSESSION WITH INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE  
OXYCODONE HYDROCHLORIDE

Offense Code: 0186

Code/Ordinance Sec: 44-53-0370(b)(2)

This warrant is CERTIFIED FOR SERVICE in the  
☐ County/ ☐ Municipality ofThe accused  
is to be arrested and brought before me to be  
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(L.S.)

Signature of Judge

Date:

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did within this county and state on or about 3/25/2023 violate the criminal laws of the

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of McCormick )

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: POSSESSION WITH INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE OXYCODONE HYDROCHLORIDE

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 March 25, 2023, the defendant Krishyia Byrd did in the County of McCormick, SC, commit the offense of (Possession with  
the Intent to Distribute Oxycodone Hydrochloride) to wit: that Krishyia Byrd did attempt to deliver a package containing 14 blue  
pills, positive as oxycodone hydrochloride by using DrugID, to the prisoners at McCormick Correctional Institution, located 386  
Redemption Way, McCormick, SC 29899. Probable cause is based on the investigation, statements and recovery of evidence.

Signature of Affiant

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Affiant's Address P.O. Box 21787

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on or about 3/25/2023 defendant Krishyia Samone Byrd

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

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of McCormick ) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: POSSESSION WITH INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE OXYCODONE HYDROCHLORIDE

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  
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## ARREST WARRANT

2023A3510100099

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

McCormick

THE STATE

against

Krishya Samone Byrd

Address:

Phone:

SSN:

Sex: F Race: Height: 5 3 Weight: 110

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Amanda N Gabbard - S00330

Offense: Drugs / Trafficking in meth. or cocaine base - 10 g or more, but less than 28 g - 1st offense

Offense Code: 0450

Code/Ordinance Sec: 44-53-0375(C)(1)(a)

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Signature of Judge

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did within this county and state on or about 3/25/2023 violate the criminal laws of the

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of McCormick )

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Drugs / Trafficking in meth. or cocaine base - 10 g or more, but less than 28 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:

K-9 SA Gabbard states that the defendant, did in the County of McCormick on March 25, 2023, commit the offense of (Trafficking Methamphetamine) to wit: that Krishya Byrd did attempt to deliver a package containing 11.2 grams of a white crystal substance that field tested positive for Methamphetamine, into McCormick Correctional Institution located at 386 Redemption Way, McCormick, SC 29899 with the intent to give to an inmate. Probable cause is based on the investigation, statements and recovery of evidence

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It appearing from the above affidavit that there are reasonable grounds to believe that

on or about 3/25/2023 defendant Krishya Samone Byrd

did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of McCormick ) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Drugs / Trafficking in meth. or cocaine base - 10 g or more, but less than 28 g - 1st offense

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

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on 3/25/2023

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## ARREST WARRANT

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

McCormick

THE STATE

against

Krishyia Samone Byrd

Address:

Phone: SSN:

Sex: F Race: Height: 5 3 Weight: 110

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: Agency Crt. #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Amanda N Gabbard - S00330

Offense: Drugs / Manuf., poss. of other sub. in Sch. I, II, III  
or flunitrazepam or analogue, w.i.t.d. - 1st offense

Offense Code: 0186

Code/Ordinance Sec: 44-53-0370(b)(2)

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The accused

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(L.S.)

Signature of Judge

Date:

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did within this county and state on or about 3/25/2023 violate the criminal laws of the

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of McCormick )

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Drugs / Manuf., poss. of other sub. in Sch. I, II, III or flunitrazepam or analogue, w.i.t.d. - 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:That on March 25, 2023, the defendant Krishyia Byrd did in the County of McCormick, SC, commit the offense of (Possession with  
the Intent to Distribute Marijuana) to wit: that Krishyia Byrd did attempt to deliver a package containing 29 grams of Marijuana to  
the prisoners at McCormick Correctional Institution, located 386 Redemption Way, McCormick, SC 29899. Probable cause is based  
on the investigation, statements and recovery of evidence.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

McCormick

Affiant's Address P.O. Box 21787

Columbia, SC 29221-1787

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DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Drugs / Manuf., poss. of other sub. in Sch. I, II, III or flunitrazepam or analogue, w.i.t.d. - 1st offense

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  
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