



South Carolina Department of Corrections

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For immediate release

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COLUMBIA, S.C. – The SCDC Inspector General released the arrest warrants today for a former inmate on charges involving contraband at Perry Correctional Institution.

Florence Butler Gary, 67, of Clinton, is charged with providing a prisoner with contraband, possession of marijuana with intent to distribute and criminal conspiracy.

Gary is accused of throwing a package of contraband to an inmate over the glass partition during weekend visitation. The package contained 20 grams of a substance that tested positive for marijuana.

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

2024A2310200059

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Greenville

THE STATE
against

Florence Butler Gary

Address:

Phone:

SSN

Sex: F Race: B Height: 5' 3" Weight: 190

DL State: SC DL #: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED] Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Christopher A Rager - S02578

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 CHRISTOPHER BUTLER
on 02-09-2024

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

Greenville General Sessions
305 E. North Street
Greenville County Courthouse
Greenville, SC 29601-2120

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Greenville

Personally appeared before me the affiant Christopher A Rager

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Florence Butler Gary

did within this county and state on or about 1/27/2024

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

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:

Special Agent C. Rager states that the defendant, Florence Butler Gary, did in the County of Greenville South Carolina on January 27, 2024, commit the offense of Furnishing a Prisoner with Contraband to wit. Gary did possess and deliver a contraband package thrown over a glass partition during visitation with [REDACTED] an inmate incarcerated at Perry Correctional Institution, 430 Oaklawn Rd. Pelzer South Carolina 29669. The package was discovered during a search of [REDACTED] after the visitation had been terminated and contained approximately 20 grams of a green leafy substance that did field tested presumptive positive for marijuana. Gary is captured on security camera footage distributing the contraband package to [REDACTED] Gary admitted to office of inspector General (OIG) Agents after acknowledging and waiving her Miranda Rights that she introduced the marijuana into the institution before delivering it to [REDACTED] SCDC OIG Case Number 04-2024-008.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Greenville

Affiant's Address P.O. Box 21787
Columbia, SC 29221-1787

Affiant's Telephone (803)260-9138

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 1/27/2024 defendant Florence Butler Gary

did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of
☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Greenville) 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 2/8/2024

Signature of Issuing Judge (L.S.)

Dean Eugene Ford

Judge Code: 5029

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Judge's Address

Simpsonville, SC 29681-

Judge's Telephone (864)963-3457

Issuing Court: ☒ Magistrate☐ Municipal☐ Circuit

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

2024A2310200060

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Greenville

THE STATE
against

Florence Butler Gary

Address:

Phone:

SSN

Sex: F Race: B Height: 5 3 Weight: 190

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Christopher A Rager - S02578

Offense: Conspiracy / Criminal Conspiracy, Common Law
conspiracy defined

Offense Code: 0049

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-17-0410

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(L.S.)

Signature of Judge

Date:

RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to

defendant
onGARY, Florence Butler
02-02-2024

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

Greenville General Sessions
305 E. North Street
Greenville County Courthouse
Greenville, SC 29601-2120

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did within this county and state on or about 1/27/2024

violate the criminal laws of the

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Greenville)
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:that the defendant, Florence Butler Gary, did in the County of Greenville South Carolina on January 27, 2024, commit the offense of
Conspiracy to wit. Gary did coordinate with at least two other individuals in order to deliver a contraband package to
an inmate incarcerated at Perry Correctional Institution, 430 Oaklawn Rd. Pelzer South Carolina 29669. The package was
discovered during a search of after the visitation had been terminated and contained approximately 20 grams of a green leafy
substance that did field tested presumptive positive for marijuana. Gary is captured on security camera footage distributing the
contraband package to Gary admitted to Office of Inspector General (OIG) Agents after acknowledging and waiving her
Miranda Rights that she introduced the marijuana into the institution before delivering it to and stated that an unidentified
male delivered the contraband package to her so that it could be delivered to SCDC OIG Case number: 04-2024-008.

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Signature of Issuing Judge (L.S.)

Dean Eugene Ford L. Saunders

Judge Code: 5029 7344

Judge's Address

Simpsonville, SC 29681-

Judge's Telephone (864)963-3457

Issuing Court: ☒ Magistrate☐ Municipal☐ Circuit

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ARREST WARRANT

2024A2310200061

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Greenville

THE STATE

against

Florence Butler Gary

Address:

Phone: [REDACTED] SSN: [REDACTED]

Sex: F Race: B Height: 5 3 Weight: 190

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DOB: [REDACTED] Agency ORI #: SC040095C

Prosecuting Agency: S C Department Of Corrections Division

Prosecuting Officer: Christopher A Rager - S02578

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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Special Agent C. Rager states that the defendant, Florence Butler Gary, did in the County of Greenville South Carolina on January 27, 2024, commit the offense of Possession with Intent to Distribute Marijuana 1st to wit. Gary did possess and deliver a contraband package thrown over a glass partition during visitation with [REDACTED] an inmate incarcerated at Perry Correctional Institution, 430 Oaklawn Rd. Pelzer South Carolina 29669. The package was discovered during a search of [REDACTED] after the visitation had been terminated and contained approximately 20 grams of a green leafy substance that did field tested presumptive positive for marijuana. Gary is captured on security camera footage distributing the suspected marijuana to [REDACTED] Gary admitted to Office of Inspector General (OIG) Agents after acknowledging and waiving her Miranda Rights that she introduced the marijuana into the institution before delivering it to [REDACTED] SCDC OIG Case Number: 04-2024-008.

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