

# THE SOUTH CAROLINA LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION



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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **TEENAGER CHARGED WITH THREATENING LIFE A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

The South Carolina Law Enforcement Division's (SLED) Piedmont Region Agents announce the arrest of a teenager accused of threatening the life of a law enforcement officer and his family.

Justin Ross Walker, 18, of 108 Evergreen Court, Central, S.C., is charged with **Threatening the Life, Person or Family of a Public Official** and **Unlawful Use of Telephone**.

A 14-year-old co-defendant is in the custody of The Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ).

According to arrest warrants, Walker threatened the life of the alleged victim, Robert Crooks, II and his family on or near December 13, 2008.

The alleged victim is a deputy with the Anderson County Sheriff's Office.

Arrest warrants further state, while in Pickens County, Walker called the alleged victim's cell phone using profane, indecent and threatening language with the intent of harassing, annoying or intimidating him.

Walker is accused of telling the alleged victim that he would kill him and his family.

**Threatening the Life, Person or Family of a Public Official** is a misdemeanor punishable up to thirty (30) days in jail and/or fines.

**Unlawful Use of Telephone** is a misdemeanor punishable up to thirty (30) days in jail and/or fines.

This investigation comes at the request and assistance of the Central Police Department.

**For a booking photograph of Walker, please contact the Pickens County Detention Center at (864) 898-5541.**