

SOUTH CAROLINA LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

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FORMER STATE TROOPER CHARGED WITH ASSAULT AND BATTERY OF A HIGH AND AGGRAVATED NATURE

Agents of the S.C. Law Enforcement Division arrested a former State Trooper Wednesday in connection with a shooting incident September 4, 2014 during a traffic stop in Columbia.

Sean Groubert, 31, was charged with one count of **Assault and Battery of a High and Aggravated Nature**, a felony with a penalty upon conviction of up to 20 years in prison.

Groubert was booked at the Alvin S. Glenn Detention Center in Richland County.

The case will be prosecuted by the Fifth Circuit Solicitor's Office.

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Warrant attached.
BNR 0107



An Accredited Law Enforcement Agency

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
County/ Municipality of
Richland / Dentonville Magistrate

Form Approved by
S.C. Attorney General
April 21, 2003
SCCA 519

AFFIDAVIT

Personally appeared before me the affiant
Shawn Grant
being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant
Sean Groubert
did within this county and state on or about
9/4/2014
State of South Carolina for ordinance of County/
Richland / Dentonville Magistrate
in the following particulars:
 Municipality of
Richland / Dentonville Magistrate
who

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Assault / Assault & Battery of a High & Aggravated Nature

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 9/4/14 while at 3004 Broad River Rd in the Dutch Fork Magisterial District of Richland County, the def. did commit the crime of Assault and Battery of a High and Aggravated Nature because the def. a South Carolina State Trooper at the time of the incident, did without justification unlawfully shoot Lever Jones which produced great bodily injury or was likely to cause great bodily injury. Audio and visual video recordings, as well as written statements, obtained are further evidence to indicate the shooting incident was without justification. Affiant and others are witness to prove the same.

Signature of Affiant
[Signature]
Affiant's Address P. O. Box 21398
Columbia 29210-
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 9/4/2014 defendant Sean Groubert
did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina for ordinance of
 County/ Municipality of Richland / Dentonville Magistrate) as set forth below:
DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Assault / Assault & Battery of a High & Aggravated Nature

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 9/24/2014

Signature of Issuing Judge
Philip Fredric Newsom
Judge Code: 5014
Judge's Address
Columbia, SC 29206-2323
Judge's Telephone (803) 576-2560
Issuing Court: Magistrate Municipal Circuit

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ARREST WARRANT

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
County/ Municipality of
Richland / Dentonville Magistrate

THE STATE
SLED 3214-0102
against

Sean Groubert

Address: [Redacted]
Phone: [Redacted]
Sex: M Race: [Redacted] SSN: [Redacted] Height: 5 11 Weight: [Redacted]
DL Staler DL #: [Redacted] /1983 Agency ORI #: SCLLD0000
Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division
Prosecuting Officer: Shawn Grant - 0948
Offense: Assault / Assault & Battery of a High & Aggravated Nature

Offense Code: 3411
Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-03-0600(B)(1)

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.

Date: [Redacted] (I.S.)

RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to defendant
Sean Groubert
on 9/24/14
[Signature]
Signature of Issuing Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

Richland County General Sessions
1701 Main Street
P O Box 192
Columbia, SC 29202

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