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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE **September 26, 2019**

HAMPTON COUNTY WOMAN CHARGED WITH BREACH OF TRUST WITH FRAUDULENT INTENT

Agents of the S.C. Law Enforcement Division arrested a Hampton County woman Wednesday, Sept. 25, 2019 in connection with fraudulently obtaining funds from her place of employment.

April Hadwin Shaffer, 50, was charged with Breach of Trust with Fraudulent Intent, value \$10,000 or more.

The SLED investigation was requested by the Hampton County Sheriff's Office.

Shaffer was booked at the Hampton County Detention Center.

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

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Warrant Attached.

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ARREST WARRANT

2019A2510100105

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [] Municipality of

THE STATE 31-19-0008 against

April Hadwin Shaffer

Address: Estill, SC 29918-5551

Phone: SSN: Sex: F Race: W Height: 5 4 Weight: 165 DL State: SC DL #: DOB: 1969 Agency ORI #: SCLED0000

Prosecuting Agency: State Law Enforcement Division Prosecuting Officer: David E Williams - S00227 Offense: Breach / Breach of trust with fraudulent intent, value \$10,000 or more Offense Code: 3424 Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-13-0230(A)

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 April Hadwin Shaffer on 4-25-19 @ 0600

SIA McCallister, SLED Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions 1 Courthouse Square Elm St P O Box 7 Hampton, SC 29924

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA [X] County/ [] Municipality of

AFFIDAVIT

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Form Approved by S.C. Attorney General April 21, 2003 SCCA 518

Personally appeared before me the affiant David E Williams who being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant April Hadwin Shaffer did within this county and state on or about 1/4/2014 violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of [X] County/ [] Municipality of) in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Breach / Breach of trust with fraudulent intent, value \$10,000 or more

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:

SEE ATTACHED

Signature of Affiant

David Williams

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA [X] County/ [] Municipality of

Affiant's Address P. O. Box 21398 Columbia, SC 29221- Affiant's Telephone (803)849-0406

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 1/4/2014 defendant April Hadwin Shaffer did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of [X] County/ [] Municipality of) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Breach / Breach of trust with fraudulent intent, value \$10,000 or more

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 8/19/2019 Signature of Issuing Judge (L.S.) Tonja P. Alexander Judge Code: 7387

Judge's Address P. O. Box 1299 Varnville, SC 29944- Judge's Telephone (843)217-3809

Issuing Court: [X] Magistrate [] Municipal [] Circuit

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ARREST WARRANT AFFIDAVIT

COUNTY OF HAMPTON

SLED Case # 31-19-0008

**Personally appeared before me, a Magistrate of this County, one
S/A David Williams, SLED, who first being duly sworn, deposes and says that**

APRIL HADWIN SHAFFER

**did within this County and State between January 1, 2014 and January 14, 2019,
violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina in the following particulars:**

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE

BREACH OF TRUST WITH FRAUDULENT INTENT MORE THAN \$10,000


16-13-230 (A)

**The affiant states there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit the
crime(s) set forth, and that such probable cause is based on the following facts:**

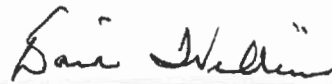
Between January 1, 2014 and January 14, 2019, April Hadwin Shaffer, while employed at Wiggins and Son, Inc., in a position of trust, did steal cash on a regular basis, several times a week from the cash received by Wiggins and Son, Inc. In her position as bookkeeper, she was responsible for making the daily bank deposits for the business. Hadwin Shaffer falsified the daily journals and ledgers to conceal the cash thefts. She also altered many of the cash register tapes used to determine the total sales for each day by ripping off the bottom of the tapes, or by simply throwing the cash register tapes into the trash. The cash register tapes are supposed to be maintained by the store in the event it was necessary to review them to rectify any discrepancies. She knowingly did this without permission and with the intent to permanently deprive Wiggins and Son, Inc., of funds in the approximate amount of \$317,338.78.

Facts to establish the above charge against the defendant, April Hadwin Shaffer, are based on the bank records of Hadwin Shaffer, a forensic audit by Susan Davis Ray, CPA, confirming the thefts, and other financial records to prove the same. All this done against the law, peace and dignity of the State of South Carolina.

**Sworn to and Subscribed before me
this 19 day of August
2019**



Signature of Judge



(AFFIANT)

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