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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:
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SLED CHARGES NEWBERRY COUNTY WOMAN WITH **ASSAULT AND BATTERY**

Agents from the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) arrested Lauren Folk, 35, on Monday for Assault and Battery Third Degree.

Newberry County Sheriff Lee Foster requested SLED investigate on February 14, 2022.

Folk was booked at the Newberry County Detention Center.

The case will be prosecuted by the 8th Judicial Circuit Solicitor's Office.

A copy of this news release is also on SLED's website: www.sled.sc.gov

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ARREST WARRANT

2022A3610100219

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Newberry

THE STATE

34-22-0017

against

Lauren Ann Folk

Address:

Newberry, SC 29108-7547

Phone: [REDACTED] SSN: [REDACTED]
Sex: F Race: W Height: 5 7 Weight: 210

DL State: SC DL #: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED] 1986 Agency ORI #: [REDACTED]

Prosecuting Agency: Sled Alcohol Enforcement/Vice Services

Prosecuting Officer: Jacob M Pridgen - S00396

Offense: Assault / Assault & Battery 3rd degree

Offense Code: 3414

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-03-0600(E)(1)

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 LAUREN ANN FOLKon 4/11/22 @ 8:33 AM

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

Central Court Of Newberry
833 Main Street
Newberry, SC 29108

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Newberry

AFFIDAVIT

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Form Approved by
S.C. Attorney General
April 21, 2003
SCCA 518Personally appeared before me the affiant Jacob M Pridgen who
being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Lauren Ann Folk
did within this county and state on or about 2/10/2022 violate the criminal laws of the
State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of Newberry)
in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Assault / Assault & Battery 3rd degree

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:On February 10, 2022, Lauren Folk, who was employed by the Boy and Girls Club afterschool program at Rueben Elementary
School, did commit the offense of Assault and Battery Third Degree by grabbing the face of a four-year-old child in her care and
pushing him backwards. This offense occurred at Rueben Elementary School, which is located within Newberry County.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☒ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Newberry

Affiant's Address P.O. Box 21398
Columbia, SC 29221-1398

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 2/10/2022 defendant Lauren Ann Folk

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

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

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Assault / Assault & Battery 3rd degree

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 4/ 8/2022Signature of Issuing Judge
Gordon B. Johnson (Magistrate) Sr.
Judge Code: 7063Judge's Address 833 Main Street
Newberry, SC 29108-Judge's Telephone (803)321-2144Issuing Court: ☒ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit

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