

**WITNESSES**

A. Thompson, Bluffton Police Dept

DOCKET NO. 2019GS0700011

**The State of South Carolina**

**County of Beaufort**

After being fully advised as to my legal rights, I hereby waive presentment to the Grand Jury.

Defendant

**COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS**

**March Term 2019**

I \_\_\_\_\_  
hereby appear in my own proper person and plead guilty to the within indictment or to

**THE STATE**

vs.

**LORA MAE LEWIS**

**ARREST WARRANT NUMBER**

2018A0720200303

**Indictment For**

**Breach of Trust With Fraudulent Intent \$10,000 or more**

SC Code: 16-13-230(A), 16-13-230(B)(3)

CDR Code: 3424

**ACTION OF GRAND JURY**

**True Bill**

Defendant

Witness:

*Stephanie Datz*  
Foreperson of Grand Jury  
Date: 3/21/19

**VERDICT**

*Guilty*

C.C.C. PLS. and G.S.

*Judith Butler*  
Foreperson of Petit Jury  
Date: 3/15/2022  
INDICT

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA     )  
  )  
COUNTY OF BEAUFORT         )

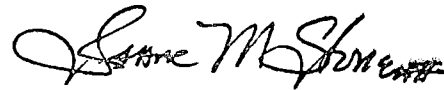
INDICTMENT  
2019GS0700011

At a Court of General Sessions, convened on March 21, 2019, the Grand Jurors of Beaufort County present upon their oath:

**Breach of Trust With Fraudulent Intent \$10,000 or more**

That in Beaufort County, South Carolina, on or about March 2, 2016 through November 7, 2018, the Defendant, LORA MAE LEWIS, did commit a breach of trust with a fraudulent intention or hired or counseled another to commit a breach of trust with a fraudulent intention and the amount was ten -thousand dollars or more, to wit: as an employee of Victim Benchmark Interiors, Defendant was entrusted with the care, keeping and possession of the Victim's bank accounts and did fraudulently and without authorization convert monies from those accounts to her own use and purpose, with the intent to deprive Victim of possession thereof, all in violation of Section 16-13-230(A), 16-13-230(B)(3), et al. of the Codes of Law of South Carolina.

Against the peace and dignity of the State, and contrary to the statute in such case made and provided.



Solicitor  
**Time Bill**

ARREST WARRANT

2018A0720200303

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/ Municipality of

Bluffton

THE STATE

18BP45901

against

Lora Mae Lewis

Address:

Bluffton, SC 29910-7916

Phone: SSN:

Sex: Race: Height: 2 Weight:

DL State: SC DL #:

DOB: Agency ORI #: SC0070200

Prosecuting Agency: Bluffton Police Department

Prosecuting Officer: Adam C Thompson - S00033

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

Beaufort The accused

is to be arrested and brought before me to be

dealt with according to the law.

Signature of Judge

(L.S.)

Date: December 19, 2018

RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to

defendant LORA MAE LEWIS

on 12/27/2018

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

Beaufort County General Sessions

PO Box 1128

102 Ribaut Road, Rm. 208

Beaufort, SC 299011128

AUDIT COPY

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/ Municipality of

Bluffton

Personally appeared before me the affiant Adam C Thompson who

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Lora Mae Lewis

did within this county and state on or about 3/2/2016 violate the criminal laws of the

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of County/ Municipality of Bluffton)

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:

Between March 2, 2016 and November 7, 2018, the Defendant Lora Mae Lewis did knowingly and willfully print out, and cash or deposit checks against a business checking account belonging to the Victim Benchmark Interiors, which totaled \$253,421.28. The Defendant would report in the company's QuickBooks system that the check would be made out to a vendor, but the check itself would be printed out in the Defendants name under the "Pay to The Order Of" portion of the check. The Defendant was employed at Benchmark Interiors during this time and part of her duties was to handle the company checking account. This was done with the intent to defraud the company of this money. This incident did occur at 52-A Persimmon Street which is located in the Town of Bluffton, County of Beaufort, and the affiant and others are witness to prove the same.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

County/ Municipality of

Bluffton

Affiant's Address P.O. Box 386

Bluffton, SC 29910-

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 3/2/2016 defendant Lora Mae Lewis

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

County/ Municipality of Bluffton) 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 12/19/2018

Signature of Issuing Judge Africa Aiken (L.S.)

Judge's Address Post Office Box 386

Bluffton, SC 29910-

Judge's Telephone (843)706-4530

Issuing Court: Magistrate Municipal Circuit

Judge Code: 8159

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

AFFIDAVIT

STATE LORA MAE LEWIS

INDICTMENT/CASE#: 2019GS0700011

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )

IN THE COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS )

COUNTY OF BEAUFORT )

STATE )

INDICTMENT/CASE#: 2019GS0700011

VS. )

LORA MAE LEWIS )

A/W#: 2018A0720200303

AKA: \_\_\_\_\_ )

Date of Offense: 03/02/2016

Race: White Sex: e Age:      )

S.C. Code §: 16-13-230(A)

DOB:      SS#:      )

CDR Code #: 3424

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ )

**RECEIVED**

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ )

**MAR 29 2022 SENTENCE SHEET**

DL#\* \_\_\_\_\_ SID# \_\_\_\_\_ )

**SC Court of Appeals**

\*CDL Yes  No  CMV Yes  No  Hazmat Yes  No

In disposition of the above indictment comes now the Defendant who was  CONVICTED OF or  PLEADS

TO: Breach of Trust with Fraudulent Intent, value more than \$10,000

In violation of § 16-13-230(A) of the S.C. Code of Laws, bearing CDR Code # 3424

NON-VIOLENT  VIOLENT  SERIOUS  MOST SERIOUS  Mandatory GPS  § 17-25-45  
(CSC w/minor 1<sup>st</sup> or CSC w/minor 3<sup>rd</sup>)

The charge is:  As indicted,  Lesser Included Offense,  Defendant Waives Presentment to Grand Jury. \_\_\_\_\_ (def.'s initials)

The plea is:  Without Negotiations or Recommendation,  Negotiated Sentence,  Recommendation by the State.  
ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Solicitor \_\_\_\_\_ SC Bar # \_\_\_\_\_ Defendant \_\_\_\_\_ Attorney for Defendant \_\_\_\_\_ SC Bar # \_\_\_\_\_

WHEREFORE, the Defendant is committed to the  State Department of Correction  County Detention Center,

for a determinate term of 10 days/months/years/Time Served  Youthful Offender Act not to exceed \_\_\_\_\_ years

and/or to pay a fine of \$     ; provided that upon the service of 8 days/months/years/Time Served and or payment of \$     ; plus costs and assessments as applicable\*; the balance is suspended with probation for 5

months/years and subject to South Carolina Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services standard conditions of probation, which are incorporated by reference.

The sentence shall run

CONCURRENT or  CONSECUTIVE to sentence on: \_\_\_\_\_

The Defendant is to be given credit for time served pursuant to S.C. Code § 24-13-40 to be calculated and applied by SCDoc. \_\_\_\_\_ days/months

To include time spent on monitored house arrest prior to trial and sentencing.

STATE

LORA MAE LEWIS

INDICTMENT/CASE#: 2019GS0700011

The Defendant Shall be Released from County Detention Center.

**Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 922 and § 16-25-30 it is unlawful for a person convicted of a violation of § 16-25-20 or § 16-25-65 (Domestic Violence) to ship, transport, possess, or receive a firearm or ammunition.**

**SPECIAL CONDITIONS:**

**PTUP** after \_\_\_\_\_ months/years

**And Other Terms Listed Below:**

- Substance Abuse Counseling       Completion of GED       Random Drug/Alcohol Testing
- Attend Voc. Rehab. Or Job Corp       No Contact with Victim       Domestic Violence Intervention Program
- Mental Health Counseling       May serve W/E beginning: \_\_\_\_\_
- Sex Offender Registry pursuant to S.C. Code § 23-3-430       Public Service Employment \_\_\_\_\_ days/hours
- Central Registry of Child Abuse and Neglect pursuant to S.C. Code § 17-25-135.

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**RESTITUTION:**     Deferred     Def. Waives Hearing     Ordered

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_ plus 20% fee: \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Terms: \_\_\_\_\_  Set by SCDPPPS

Recipient: \_\_\_\_\_

*Fine:		\$
Fine may be pd. in equal consecutive weekly/monthly pmts. of	\$ _____ Beginning	_____
§14-1-206 (Assessments 107.5%)		\$ _____
§14-1-211 (A)(1)(Conv. Surcharge)	\$100	\$ <u>100.00</u>
§14-1-211 (A)(2)(DUI Surcharge)	\$100	\$ _____
§56-5-2995 (DUI Assessment)	\$12	\$ _____
§56-1-286 (DUI Breath Test)	\$25	\$ _____
§14-1-212 (Law Enforce. Funding)	\$25	\$ <u>25.00</u>
§14-1-213 (Drug Court Surcharge)	\$150	\$ _____
§34-11-70(b)and(c), and 34-11-90(c)and(d) (Admin Fraud Check Court Costs)	\$41	\$ _____
§50-21-114 (BUI Breath Test Fee)	\$50	\$ _____
§56-5-2942(J) (Vehicle Assessment)	\$40/ea	\$ _____
3% to County (if paid in installments)	TBD	\$ <u>18.75</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Appointed PD or appointed other counsel, Proviso requires \$500 be paid to Clerk during probation and shall be collected before any other fees	\$500	\$ <u>500.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> § 17-3-30(B) Unpaid Application Fee to be paid to the Public Defender Fund	TBD	\$ _____

**TOTAL**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk of Court/Deputy Clerk:  
Court Reporter:

*[Signature]*  
Lorain Harris

Presiding Judge:  
Judge Code:  
Sentence Date:

*[Signature]*  
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3-15-22