

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF CHARLESTON
CITY OF NORTH CHARLESTON

AFFIDAVIT
OCA# 2018024391
INV J. Jellico

Personally appeared before me, a magistrate of this County, one _____ who first being duly sworn, deposes and says that:

Maurice Jerome Prioleau

did within this County and State on August 13, 2018 violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE
Criminal Sexual Conduct First Degree
Violation Section 16-3-652

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:

That on August 13, 2018 while at 2060 B Harley Street which is located in the City of North Charleston, County and State aforesaid the above named defendant, **Maurice Jerome Prioleau** did violate section 16-3-652 of the South Carolina State Code of Laws of 1976 as amended; **Criminal Sexual Conduct First Degree** in that he did willfully, unlawfully and feloniously, while armed with a knife, commit sexual battery upon a female, to wit: Fellatio.

That on August 13, 2018 the victim stopped in the parking lot of the aforementioned address to look at some abandoned wood pallets. That after stopping she was accosted by an unknown black male who was in possession of a knife. The victim was forced inside her vehicle at knife point and physically forced to perform fellatio on the defendant. The victim was able to dial a number in her cellular phone, and conceal the phone without the defendant's knowledge, during part of the sexual assault. The resulting call, which was recorded by a witness to be named later in court, captured the victim begging for her life and the defendant threatening to cut her if she did not comply with his request.

That on August 14, 2018 the audio recording captured by the witness was obtained by Detective Jellico of the North Charleston Police Department. That during this time the defendant was developed as a suspect. It was further discovered that the defendant lived in close proximity of the crime scene and has an extensive criminal history. A path was located from the defendants residence leading directly to the area of the crime scene.

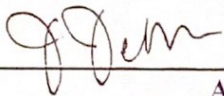
That on August 24, 2018 a photographic line-up was obtained consisting of six individual pictures of individuals with similar characteristics. The lineup was presented to the victim and she identified the defendant in the line-up as her assailant.

Due to the brutally violent nature of the attack and the fact that the victim had no foreknowledge of the suspect, on August 24, 2018 contact was made with the South Carolina State Law Enforcement Division to expedite the processing of DNA evidence. On September 10, 2018 the South Carolina State Law Enforcement Division notified the North Charleston Police Department that DNA swabs collected from the victim's vehicle were a match to the defendant.

This information was gained through the investigation of Detective Jerry Jellico and Detective C. Benton of the North Charleston Police Department and the interview of the victim and they are witnesses to prove the same in such case which is made and provided against the peace and dignity of the State of South Carolina.

Sworn to and Subscribed before me
this 11 day of September
2018.

Signature of Judge



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