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## **Greenwood Man Arrested for Criminal Sexual Conduct with Minor**

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of Shea Branden Masterson, (DOB: 1/16/1989) of Greenwood, S.C., on two (2) counts connected to criminal sexual conduct with minors. The South Carolina Law Enforcement Division, a member of the Attorney General's Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, made the arrest. The Greenwood County Sheriff's Office assisted.

After meeting via an online social networking site, investigators say Masterson had sexual relations with a minor in McCormick County on or around May 17, 2014. The victim disclosed this activity to SLED agents during an interview. Images found on the victim's telephone corroborated the information.

Masterson was arrested on December 2, 2014. He is charged with one (1) count of Criminal Sexual Conduct with a Minor, second degree, (§16-3-655(b)), a felony offense punishable by up to twenty (20) years imprisonment; and one (1) count of Criminal Sexual Conduct with a Minor, third degree, (§16-3-655(b)), a felony offense punishable by up to fifteen (15) years imprisonment.

The case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

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