

AFFIDAVIT

Personally appeared before me, a magistrate of this County, one Detective E. Melendez who, first being duly sworn, deposes and says that,

**Adams, Justin Collin**

did within this County and State on the **1st day of May 2025**, did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina in the following particulars:

**DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE**

**Attempted Murder**

**16-03-0029**

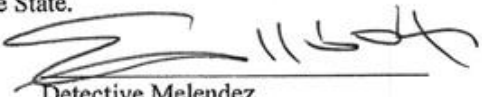
The affiant states that there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit the crime(s) set forth, and that such probable cause is based on the following facts:

On May 1, 2025, at approximately 12:50PM while located at 3200 Middle Street (Sunrise Presbyterian School) Sullivans Island, SC in Charleston County the defendant **Justin Collin Adams**, did commit the offense of **Attempted Murder**, by striking a **twelve-year-old juvenile** with a vehicle in violation of section **16-03-0029** of the South Carolina Code of Law 1976 as amended within the County of Charleston and State aforesaid. Facts are, Justin Collin Adams while operating a black in color 2018 Chevrolet Malibu and entered the Sunrise Presbyterian parking lot at a high rate of speed. Once the vehicle entered the parking lot it left the parking lot and entered the school's playground occupied by multiple juveniles. Justin Collin Adams accelerated into the playground in the direction of the juveniles striking a **twelve-year juvenile** male with the vehicle inflicting injuries to the child who was transported to a local hospital. The defendant's vehicle then left the playground continuing the high rate of speed then as the children were running for the building, the defendant "appeared to chase the children as they ran. The defendant's vehicle approached the building's sidewalk without slowing down and struck a teacher who was then thrown over the hood and roof of the vehicle. The defendant continued to drive after striking the teacher then left the parking lot striking the concrete curb. The defendant's vehicle then entered the sidewalk where students were fleeing his vehicle and struck a ten-year-old juvenile male who was then pinned under the defendant's vehicle. The defendant's vehicle airbags deployed upon striking the curb, then came to a rest with the juvenile beneath the vehicle. The defendant fled the scene on foot to a nearby residence. The defendant ran to a boat lift and entered a boat where he hid from police in the area searching for him. The defendant was located during a "line search" of the area

This information is known to Detective Melendez, and the victim who are witnesses to prove the same against the form of the statute and the peace and dignity of the State.

Sworn to and Subscribed before me  
this 1st day of May, 2025

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**Assault and Battery 1<sup>st</sup> degree**

**16-03-600 (C) (1)**


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On May 1, 2025, at approximately 12:50PM while in the area of 3200 Middle Street (Sunrise Presbyterian School) Sullivans Island, SC in Charleston County the defendant **Justin Collin Adams**, did commit the offense of **Assault and Battery 1<sup>st</sup> Degree**, by threatening his mother sixty-seven with a knife while inside her vehicle in violation of section **16-03-600 (C) (1)** of the South Carolina Code of Law 1976 as amended within the County of Charleston and State aforesaid. Facts are, Justin Collin Adams while located in the back seat of his mother's black in color 2018 Chevrolet Malibu, he acquired a knife and threatened to cut her face with the knife. The victim was in fear for her life and exited the vehicle and ran away from the vehicle. The defendant then took his mother's vehicle without permission. The defendant drove a short distance and entered the Sunrise Presbyterian parking lot at a high rate of speed. Once the vehicle entered the parking lot it left the parking lot and entered the school's playground occupied by multiple juveniles. Justin Collin Adams accelerated into the playground in the direction of the juveniles striking a **twelve-year juvenile** male with the vehicle inflicting injuries to the child who was transported to a local hospital. The defendant's vehicle then left the playground continuing the high rate of speed then as the children were running for the building, the defendant "appeared to chase the children as they ran. The defendant's vehicle approached the building's sidewalk without slowing down and struck a teacher who was then thrown over the hood and roof of the vehicle. The defendant continued to drive after striking the teacher then left the parking lot striking the concrete curb. The defendant's vehicle then entered the sidewalk where students were fleeing his vehicle and struck a ten-year-old juvenile male who was then pinned under the defendant's vehicle. The defendant's vehicle airbags deployed upon striking the curb, then came to a rest with the juvenile beneath the vehicle. The defendant fled the scene on foot to a nearby residence. The defendant ran to a boat lift and entered a boat where he hid from police in the area searching for him. The defendant was located during a "line search" of the area

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