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**For Immediate Release**

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This morning the Grand Jury of Greenville County issued True Bills of indictment charging Sheriff Will Lewis with one count of Misconduct in Office and one count of Obstruction of Justice. Certified copies of these indictments were forwarded to Governor McMaster and he has signed an order suspending Mr. Lewis from office. The Governor is expected to announce the appointment of an interim Sheriff as soon as practicable.

The investigation into the actions of Sheriff Lewis by agents of the State Law Enforcement Division is an active and ongoing investigation and additional charges are possible at some point in the future. My office is in contact with the attorneys for Mr. Lewis and will coordinate with them to establish a time for Mr. Lewis to turn himself in for booking, arraignment and bond setting.

It is important to remember that these indictments are merely allegations and Mr. Lewis is presumed innocent until his guilt is established beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

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