

Woman charged with setting man on fire

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A Laurens man is in the Augusta Burr Center this week and a woman under arrest after deputies say she lit the man on fire as he slept.

Deputies with the Laurens County Sheriff's Office arrested Angela Nicole Berry, 38, of Laurens early Friday morning on charges of attempted murder and second-degree assault, after obtaining evidence that she had severely burned the victim.

Deputies were dispatched, along with officers with the Laurens Police Department, to a home on Rabon Road just after midnight Friday morning in reference to an assault that had taken place earlier on Steve Thompson Road.

The complainant who called 911 said that Berry had set a man on fire, and that the house on Steve Thompson Road might also be on fire. Deputies also met with the victim, who had severe burns. Investigators that

when Berry threw an unknown substance on him, and the only thing he knew, he was on fire.

Deputies contacted ENR and related the victim's status.

Paramedics arrived and had the victim airlifted to the Augusta Burr Center.

Investigators went to the home on Eve Thompson Road, where they found Berry and questioned her about the incident. Investigators also noted that there were signs of a fire in the home.

Berry denied the accusations, but investigators said her statements didn't match up with the evidence they had gathered. Berry was placed under arrest and transported to the Johnson Detention Center for booking. She remained in the detention center until the afternoon of Tuesday.



Angela Nicole Berry

Dear Governor Nikki Haley ,

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I am writing you to ask you some Questions. First i will tell you about myself. My name is Joshua Corteville , i am from Laurens South Carolina. But I live in Piedmont South Carolina. On July 17th 2015 My father was a sleep in his bed when his Girlfriend , Came in and put Gas on him and set him on Fire. He was air lefted to The Augusta Burn Center that night about 1:00 am . Ms Berry (the woman who did this) showed back up like she did not know what had happen until the police officers got it out of her that she did it . she was arrest ed and taken to the Laurens County Jail Booked with Atemp murder and Arson. Well My father Spent 5 months in the Burn Center Icu he woke up and was moving his head to get us to know how he was . at this time he could not talk he ad a vent down his mouth .

We have been to 2 Bond hearings and she has been Told she would not get a bond . I and my family want her to stay behide bars . witch brings me to why i am writing you . I want to know how i get a Law made . I want it called " The Billy Law " I want it where anyone who is in Jail on criminal domestic violence should have to be seen by a Doctor to see if they can be out . The woman who killed my father should had never been out. I feel the law System felled my father. she was let out on her 2nd afince .. 4 days after she was out my father called me and my brother and said " Nikki is not actting right I am thinking about coming off her bond " well i think when my dad confronted her with it she set this up . My father was a Good man . would do anythign for any one . if she needs something he would give it to her. no mater what it was . as I stood there holding my fathers hand on Dec 20th 2015 when he passed away at 6:15 pm I seen him take his last breath . it hurt so bad . my father was my Rock he was all ways there when i needed someone . i knew who to call on . and he was there.

again I am just wanting to know who i contact and how i go about making this law. My father is not here so i am his Voice . I want to put a stop to this from her getting out and for this not to happen to someone father . Please get back to me soon .

Thank you ,

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