

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM YORK COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas

Daniel Dewitt Hall, Circuit Court Judge

Case No. 2021-CP-46-03109

In the Matter of the Care and Treatment of
Merrilld C. Stewart,

v.

State of South Carolina,

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Merrilld C. Stewart appeals the order of the Honorable Daniel Dewitt Hall dated February 14, 2023. Appellant received written notice of entry of this order on February 16, 2023.

February 24, 2023



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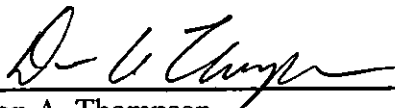
State of South Carolina,

Respondent.

PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served the Notice of Appeal on the State of South Carolina (respondent) by depositing a copy of it in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, on February 24, 2023, addressed to the State's attorney of record, Suzanne J. Shaw, Assistant Attorney General, S.C. Attorney General's Office, Post Office Box 11549, Columbia, South Carolina 29211-1549.

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CERTIFICATE OF FILING
WITH YORK COUNTY CLERK OF COURT

I certify that I have filed the Notice of Appeal and Proof of Service in this matter with the York County Clerk of Court by depositing a copy of it in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, on February 24, 2023, addressed to The Honorable David Hamilton, York County Clerk of Court, P.O. Box 649, York, South Carolina 29745-0649.

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RE: In the Matter of the Care and Treatment of Merrild C. Stewart, Appellant -vs- State of South Carolina, Respondent, 2021-CP-46-03109 (SVP – York County)

Dear Ms. Kitchings:


I was appointed to represent Mr. Stewart in the above-referenced sexually violent predator action. Judge Hall issued a written order finding Mr. Stewart to be a sexually violent predator and committing him to the South Carolina Department of Mental Health for long-term control, care and treatment.

Enclosed, for filing, please find the following relating to this matter:

- 1) A copy of Judge Hall's written order;
- 2) A Notice of Appeal;
- 3) A Proof of Service; and
- 4) A Certificate of Filing (as to the filing of the Notice of Appeal and Proof of Service with the York County Clerk of Court).

I am turning this matter over to the Office of Appellate Defense for any further proceedings.

Sincerely yours,

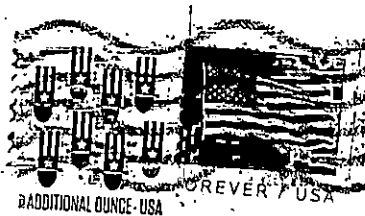

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