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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE SUPREME COURT

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Certiorari to the Court of Appeals  
Appeal from Barnwell County  
The Honorable Doyet A. Early, III, Circuit Court Judge

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Opinion No. 5846 (S.C. Ct. App. filed August 11, 2021)  
2017-GS-06-00066

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THE STATE,

PETITIONER,

v.

DEMONTAY MARKEITH PAYNE,

RESPONDENT.

Appellate Case No. 2021-001097

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**PROOF OF SERVICE**

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I, Donna D'Alessio, am an employee of the Petitioner, hereby certify that as per the March 20, 2020 Order of the Chief Justice, the Brief of Petitioner, Appendix, and Proof of Service has been forwarded to Respondent's counsel, Breen Stevens, Esq., via email today, May 22, 2023 to [bstevens@sccid.sc.gov](mailto:bstevens@sccid.sc.gov), as well as to his assistant, [sleverett@sccid.sc.gov](mailto:sleverett@sccid.sc.gov).

I further certify that all parties required by Rule to be served have been served.

This 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2023.

*s/ Donna D'Alessio*

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