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Case No. 2022-CP-10-01204

In the Matter of the Care and Treatment of
Walter Vaughn,

Appellant,

v.

State of South Carolina,

Respondent.

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Walter Vaughn appeals the order of the Honorable Deadra L. Jefferson dated December 6, 2023. Appellant received written notice of entry of this order on December 6, 2023.

December 13, 2023



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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 December 14, 2023, addressed to the State's attorney of record, Christopher S. Runyan, Assistant Attorney General, S.C. Attorney General's Office, Post Office Box 11549, Columbia, South Carolina 29211-1549.

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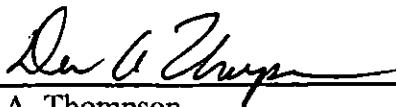
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CERTIFICATE OF FILING
WITH CHARLESTON COUNTY CLERK OF COURT

I certify that I have filed the Notice of Appeal and Proof of Service in this matter with the Charleston County Clerk of Court by depositing a copy of it in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, on December 14, 2023, addressed to The Honorable Julie J. Armstrong, Clerk of Court - Charleston County, 100 Broad Street, Ste 106, Charleston, S.C. 29401-2210.

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December 20, 2023

The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
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RE: In the Matter of the Care and Treatment of Walter Vaughn, Appellant
-vs- State of South Carolina, Respondent,
2022-CP-10-01204 (SVP – Charleston County)

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

I was appointed to represent Mr. Vaughn in the above-referenced sexually violent predator action. Judge Jefferson issued a written order finding Mr. Vaughn 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 Jefferson'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 Oconee 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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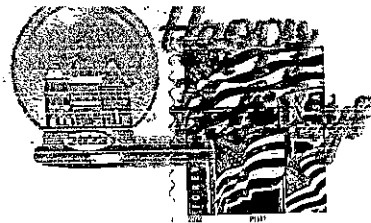
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