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60 Court of Appeals

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
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 COUNTY OF DARLINGTON)
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 THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,)
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 v.)
)
 GREGORY LAMONT BENJAMIN,)
)
 DEFENDANT.)

IN THE COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS
 FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

**ORDER FINDING DEFENDANT
 TO BE PLACED ON SEX OFFENDER
 REGISTRY PER §23-3-340**

2024-GS-16-01477

The Defendant, Gregory Lamont Benjamin, pled guilty before the Hon. R. Ferrell Cothran, Jr., on June 10, 2024, in Sumter County to the indictment listed above. The Defendant waived venue on the record and proceeded with the guilty plea in Sumter County. The Defendant pled guilty to one count of Indecent Exposure and the Court sentenced him to 540 days with 540 days of time credit. The Court, after hearing from the parties, also ordered that the Defendant be placed on the sex offender registry pursuant to S.C. Code §23-3-340.

During the plea hearing, the Court heard the factual background of this offense and the Court heard a detailed impact statement from the victim. The Court also heard the Defendant's prior criminal record. After considering the matter, the Court made a specific finding of fact on the record that, based on the circumstance of this case, it was warranted that the Defendant be required to register as a sex offender.

The Court made this finding of fact on the record during the June 10, 2024 guilty plea. The Court also documented this finding, by indicating on the Defendant's sentencing sheet that sex offender registry was a required condition of the sentence.

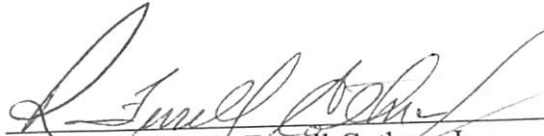


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NOW THEREFORE IT IS ORDERED that during the Defendant's June 10, 2024, guilty plea, the Court made findings on the record that the specific facts and circumstances of this case warranted the Defendant to register as a sex offender pursuant to S.C. Code §23-3-340.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.


The Honorable R. Ferrell Cothran Jr.
Chief Administrative Judge
Third Judicial Circuit
Court of General Sessions

July 17, 2024
Manning, South Carolina

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