

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM COLLETON COUNTY
Court of General Sessions

The Honorable Marvin H. Dukes III, Circuit Court Judge

Warrant No (s): 2023A1510100126
Indictment No (s): 2023GS1500267

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

v.

JAMES A. TOWNSEND, JR

Respondent.

Appellant.

NOTICE OF APPEAL

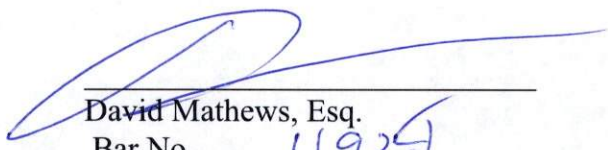
James A Townsend, Jr appeals his trial, conviction and sentence on the charge(s) of Sex / Criminal Sexual Conduct With Minor Or Attempt - Victim Under 11 Yrs Of Age - First Degree before the Honorable Marvin H. Dukes Iii, Presiding Judge, Fourteenth Judicial Circuit; and James A Townsend, Jr appeals the Denial of his Motion for Direct Verdict before the Honorable Marvin H. Dukes Iii, Presiding Judge, Fourteenth Judicial Circuit. this case.

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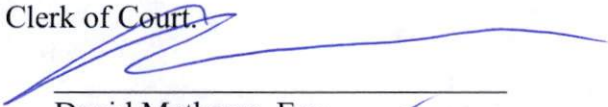
I certify that I have served the Notice of Appeal on the below listed respondents by depositing a copy of it in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, on February 28, 2025.

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I further certify that on February 28, 2025 an Original Notice of Intent to Appeal in the above captioned case was filed with the Colleton County Clerk of Court.

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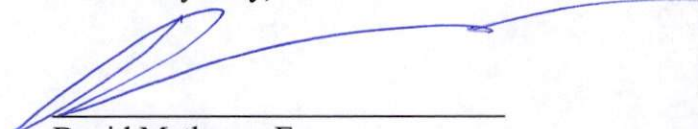
Dear Sir/ Madam:

Enclosed you will find the original Notice of Appeal in the above matter along with Proof of Service upon the Respondents. The Notice has been filed with the Colleton County Clerk of Court. Also enclosed is a copy of the sentencing sheet from which this appeal is taken and a copy of the warrant(s) and indictment(s).

These matters are being referred to the Office of Appellate Defense in that we were participating as Court appointed counsel at trial.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours very truly,


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