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In the Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM THE CHEROKEE COUNTY  
Court of General Sessions

Honorable J. Mark Hayes, II, Circuit Court Judge

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Case No. 2022GS1100488, 2022GS1100489, 2022GS1100490, 2022GS1100491,  
2022GS1100492, 2022GS1100493

The State,

Wardarious Donquiese Brown

v.

Respondent,

Appellant

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Wardarious Donquiese Brown appeals his conviction and sentence in this case. The sentence was imposed by the Honorable J. Mark Hayes, II on March 6, 2025. This appeal is taken from the conviction and sentence.

March 10, 2025



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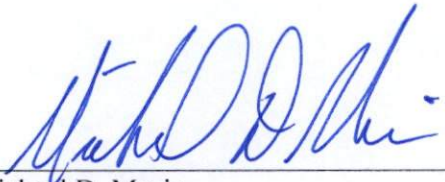
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PROOF OF SERVICE

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I certify that I have served the Notice of Appeal on the State of South Carolina by depositing a copy of it in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, on March 10, 2025, addressed to its attorney of record, Kimberly L. Leskanic, Esq., Assistant Solicitor, 125 E. Floyd Baker Boulevard, Gaffney, South Carolina 29340.

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The Honorable Brandy W. McBee  
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RE: State v. Wardarious Donquiese Brown

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Dear Mrs. McBee:

Enclosed for filing is the Notice of Appeal and Proof of Service in the above referenced case.

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael D. Morin". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Michael D. Morin

Enclosure

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Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Enclosed for filing is the original Notice of Appeal in the above case. Also enclosed are the Proof of Service of the Notice of Appeal on the Respondent and copy of the indictment, verdict, and sentence to be challenged on appeal.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michael D. Morin".

Michael D. Morin

Enclosures

cc: Office of Seventh Judicial Circuit Solicitor  
Office of Attorney General  
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