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IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
In the Court of Appeals

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APPEAL FROM CLARENDON COUNTY  
Court of General Sessions

The Honorable R. Ferrell Cothran, Circuit Court Judge

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Indictment No. 2008-GS-14-0352

State of South Carolina,

Respondent,

vs.

George Smith,

Appellant.

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

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George Smith appeals the final order of the Honorable R. Ferrell Cothran denying the appellant's motion for a new trial. This order was received by counsel April 16, 2025. The Judge signed the Order on March 5, 2025, but the Clarendon County Clerk of Court's Office did not properly file the signed Order until April 15, 2025. Attached is a copy of the order. All relevant transcripts have already been ordered and received, so counsel requests a due date of May 19, 2025, for the filing of the initial brief.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

Counsel certifies that she has provided a copy of this motion on Mark Farthing of the South Carolina Attorney General's Office via email at [mfarthing@scag.gov](mailto:mfarthing@scag.gov) on April 17, 2025.

Counsel also certifies that she mailed a copy of this motion to the Clarendon County Clerk of Court's office via first-class, prepaid postage through the United States Postal Service to P.O. Box 136, Manning, SC 29102, on this date April 24, 2025.

/s/ Elizabeth Franklin-Best