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Indictment #: 2026GS4000447, 2025GS4001065

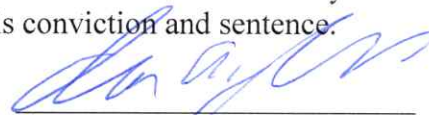
THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA -- Respondent

VS.

VINCENT J. RICE - Appellant

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Vincent J. Rice entered a guilty plea to two counts of Shoplifting (Enhanced) before the Hon. Jocelyn Newman on January 14, 2026 in Richland County, South Carolina, and was sentenced on January 14, 2026 before the Honorable Jocelyn Newman in Richland County, South Carolina. He appeals his conviction and sentence.



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Ola Johnson, do hereby certify that I have this day served the original of Appellant's Notice of Intent to Appeal and Rule 203 Explanation upon the South Carolina Court of Appeals by U.S. mail, and copies of Appellant's Notice of Intent to Appeal to the Clerk of Court of Richland County, and to Byron E. Gipson, Solicitor, Fifth Judicial Circuit and to the Office of the Attorney General and to the South Carolina Commission of Appellate Defense by placing same in the United States Mail properly addressed and with correct postage affixed thereto:

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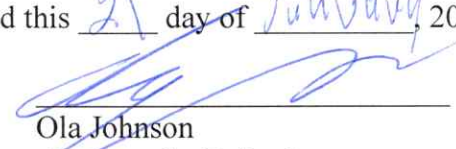
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Dated this 21 day of January, 2026



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DEFENDANT: VINCENT J. RICE
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Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed please find the Notice of Intent to Appeal and Rule 203 Explanation on behalf of the Defendant in respect of the above referenced indictment, along with a copy of the letter to Defendant, sentencing sheet, Indictment and warrant. It is anticipated that this appeal will be handled by the Office of Appellate Defense, in view of the indigent status of the Appellant/Defendant.

Yours truly,


Ola Johnson