

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
In the Court of Appeals

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APPEAL FROM LEXINGTON COUNTY  
Court of General Sessions

SC Court of Appeals

HONORABLE DEBRA R. McCASLIN., CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

Indictment No(s): 2024GS3201537, 2025GS3204538, 2025GS3204539,  
2025GS3206544, 2025GS3206545

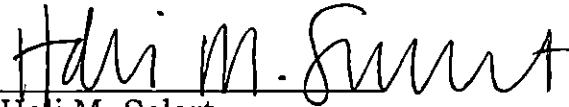
The State,.....Respondent.

V.

BOBBY ERIC RUTHERFORD,.....Appellant.

NOTICE OF APPEAL

BOBBY ERIC RUTHERFORD appeals his guilty plea and sentence in this case. The sentence was imposed by the Honorable Debra R. McCaslin on 20 January 2026. The court reporter was Melinda D. Jones, 1220 Senate St., Suite 200 Columbia, SC 29201.

  
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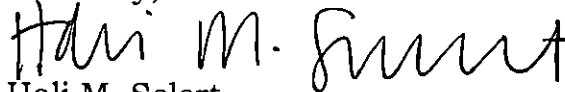
Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Please find enclosed an original and one (1) copy of a Notice to Appeal in the above matter for filing in your office. Please file the original and return the date/time stamped copy to me in the envelope provided.

I am, by copy of this letter, serving a copy of this Notice to Appeal on Christy M. Oler and Wanda H. Carter, together with my Certificate of Service.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. With kind regards, I am

Sincerely,



Hali M. Selert

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CC: Christy M. Oler, Assistant Solicitor  
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