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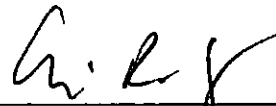
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V.

William Billy Peoples.....Appellant.

NOTICE OF APPEAL

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



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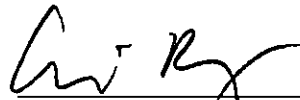
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PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served the Notice of Appeal on Bruce H. Norton by depositing a copy of it in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, on January 22 2026, addressed to Bruce H. Norton, Assistant Solicitor, Lexington County Courthouse, Lexington, SC 29072.



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Re: The State vs. William Billy Peoples, - appeal

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 Bruce H. Norton and Wanda H. Carter, together with my Certificate of Service.

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

Sincerely,

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