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Court of General Sessions

Honorable Heath P. Taylor, Circuit Court Judge

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2024-GS-40-07141

The State,.....Respondent,

v.

Tyler Ray Sharpe,.....Appellant.

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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Tyler Ray Sharpe appeals his conviction and sentence in this case. The sentence was imposed by the Honorable Heath P. Taylor on February 4, 2026.

2024-GS-40-07139 – Murder - 15 years, credit for time served 163 days.

2024-GS-40-07141 – Drugs – 15 years credit for time served 163 days.

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**STATEMENT OF BASIS FOR APPEAL FROM
GUILTY PLEA PURSUANT TO RULE 203(d)(1)(B)**

Mr. Sharpe seeks to appeal the lower court's denial of credit for time served in the amount of 277 days. On February 5, 2026, Mr. Sharpe pled guilty to one count of Voluntary Manslaughter and one count of Trafficking Methamphetamine from his initial arrest on May 15, 2024. While on bond for these two charges, Mr. Sharpe was re-arrested on March 15, 2025 for Trafficking Methamphetamine, Possession of a Weapon During a Violent Crime, Resisting Arrest, and Simple Possession of Marijuana. Subsequent to the March 15, 2025 arrest, Mr. Sharpe's bond from the May 15, 2024 arrest was revoked on May 8, 2025 after Assistant Solicitor Sam McGlothin filed a Motion to Revoke bond on April 1, 2025. All of the charges from the March 15, 2025 arrest were dismissed in exchange for Mr. Sharpe's guilty plea on February 5, 2026 to the two charges from May 15, 2024. During the guilty plea, defense counsel requested the Court order credit for time served in the amount of four hundred and forty days for all of the jail time that Mr. Sharpe served prior to his guilty plea. Assistant Solicitor Sam McGlothin argued in opposition to Mr. Sharpe receiving any credit for time served pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 24-13-40(4). The court ordered credit for time served in the amount of 163 days. Defense counsel objected to the court's denial of the remaining 277 days credit for time served on the grounds that S.C. Code Ann. § 24-13-40(4) violates the

Double Jeopardy, Due Process, and Equal Protection Clauses of the South Carolina and United States Constitutions on its face and as applied to Mr. Sharpe.

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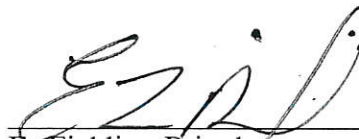
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I hereby certify that a true copy of the Notice of Intent to Appeal & the Statement of Basis for Appeal from Guilty Plea Pursuant to Rule 203(d)(1)(B) in the above-referenced case has been served upon opposing counsel by delivering same this date to his office at the Office of the Solicitor, Fifth Judicial Circuit, Richland County Judicial Center, 1701 Main Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201.

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