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January 30, 2026

Michael D. Thomas, 329390  
McCormick Correctional Institution  
386 Redemption Way  
McCormick, SC 29899

Re: Michael D. Thomas v. State  
Appellate Case No. 2026-000205

Dear Mr. Thomas,

This Court has received your notice of appeal, and the case has been assigned the appellate case number that appears above. Please use this number on all future correspondence relating to this matter.

For this matter to proceed, you will need to provide this Court with the following within twenty (20) days of the date of this letter:

(1) A proof of service showing that a copy of the notice of appeal has been served on the counsel for the State as required by Rule 243(b) and 203(d)(1)(B)(i), SCACR. I have enclosed a copy of the notice of appeal which you may use for this purpose, along with a sample proof of service.

(2) As required by Rule 203(e)(1)(C), SCACR, a written statement indicating the date on which you received written notice of entry of the final order in this case.

All parties to this matter are advised that all filings must comply with the

requirements of Rule 267 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules (SCACR). The SCACR are available online at [www.sccourts.org/courtreg](http://www.sccourts.org/courtreg). Additionally, any filings submitted by counsel admitted in South Carolina must include counsel's bar number.

The attention of the parties is directed to the order relating to the inclusion of personal data identifiers and other sensitive information in documents filed with the Supreme Court of South Carolina and the South Carolina Court of Appeals. The order can be found at [www.sccourts.org/courtOrders/displayOrder.cfm?orderNo=2014-04-15-02](http://www.sccourts.org/courtOrders/displayOrder.cfm?orderNo=2014-04-15-02).

Please note that the responsibility for ensuring that information is redacted or sealed as required by this order rests with counsel and the parties. This office will not review filings for redaction or to determine if materials should be sealed.

Very truly yours,

*Patricia A. Howard*

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cc: Alan McCrory Wilson  
D. Russell Barlow, II

# The South Carolina Court of Appeals

Michael D. Thomas, Petitioner,

v.

State of South Carolina, Respondent.

Appellate Case No. 2026-000205

The Honorable Daniel Coble  
Richland County  
Trial Court Case No. 2025CP4001962

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ORDER

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This case is transferred to the Supreme Court of South Carolina pursuant to Rule 204(a) of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules.

FOR THE COURT  
BY Jasmine V. Smith, Deputy  
CLERK

Columbia, South Carolina  
January 29, 2026

cc:  
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Michael D. Thomas, 329390  
The Honorable Patricia A. Howard