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**APPEAL FROM CHARLESTON COUNTY
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WARRANTS: 2022A1010203569; 2022A1010203455**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, RESPONDENT

VS.

DARNELL DWAYNE BROWN, APPELLANT

NOTICE OF APPEAL

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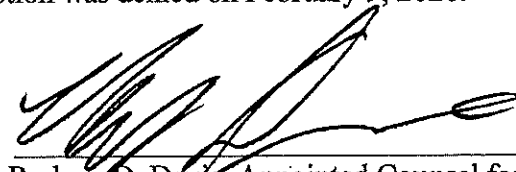
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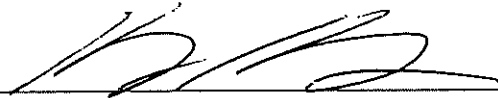
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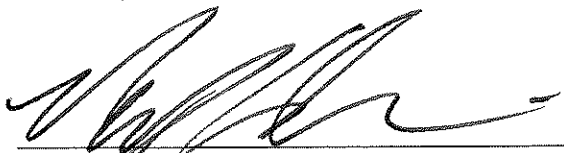
Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Enclosed is the Notice of Intent to Appeal in the above-referenced case, together with appropriate Proof of Service upon the Circuit Solicitor and Proof of Filing with the local Clerk of Court. Also enclosed is a Request for Representation on Appeal and a copy of the Court's sentence. The Defendant-Appellant was represented by our office as an indigent, pursuant to the Defense of Indigents Act. By copy of this letter, I am forwarding a duplicate set of these documents to the South Carolina Commission of Appellate Defense.

The Request for Representation on Appeal, and the Affidavit in support thereof, have been signed by me as attorney for the Defendant-Appellant.

As proof of filing for my records, I would appreciate it if one of your Clerks would clock the enclosed copy of this letter and return it to me in the envelope I have provided. Thank you.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures as stated above

cc: South Carolina Commission of Appellate Defense