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SC Court of Appeals

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )  
COUNTY OF HORRY )  
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )  
-VS- )  
GERALD STEELE )  
DEFENDANT )

RULE 203 (B) (iv)  
WRITTEN EXPLANATION OF  
NO  
BASIS FOR APPEAL

PERSONALLY appeared before me Kia Wilson, who being duly sworn,  
deposes and says :

1. I represented the above named defendant before David Caraker on February 23, 2026 at which time the defendant enter a guilty plea to his/her pending charges.
2. No issues of law or fact, were raised before the Judge at that time that could be the basis for an Appeal in this matter.
3. The defendant requested this appeal be filed based on the language used by the plea judge informing the client he has the right to appeal his guilty plea within ten (10) days.
4. I informed defendant that there were no issues to appeal.
5. Defendant requested the Appeal be filed.

Sworn to and Subscribed before me  
29 day of Feb/V9/24, 2026

[Signature]  
Notary Public for South Carolina  
My Commission expires: 3/03/2031

[Signature]  
Signature of Attorney for Defendant  
Kia T. Wilson  
Print name of Attorney for Defendant

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SC Court of Appeals

STATE vs.

Gerald Lamont Steele

AKA:

RACE: [redacted] SEX: [redacted] DOB: [redacted]

INDICTMENT/CASE#: 2025-GS-26-05716

AW#: 2025A2610201794

Date of Offense: 12/01/2024

S.C. Code§: 44-53-370(e)

CDR Code #: 0388

Range of Offense: Traff Cocaine 28g but <100g 2nd Offense (NLT 7 YEARS TO 30 YEARS & \$50,000)

In disposition of the above indictment comes now the Defendant who was CONVICTED OF  or  PLEADS

TO: Trafficking Cocaine 28g or more 2nd Offense

Range of Offense Pled: (NLT 7 YEARS TO 30 YEARS & \$50,000)

In violation of § 44-53-370(e) of the S.C. Code of Laws, bearing CDR Code # 0388

NON-VIOLENT  VIOLENT  SERIOUS  MOST SERIOUS  MANDATORY GPS  § 17-25-45  
(CSC w/minor 1<sup>st</sup> or CSC w/minor 3<sup>rd</sup>)

The charge is:  As indicted  Lesser Included Offense  Defendant Waives Presentment to Grand Jury

The plea is:  w/o Rec/Negotiations  Negotiated 10 YEARS  Recommendation \_\_\_\_\_

[Signature]  
Joshua D. Holford,  
Solicitor

80071  
SC Bar #

[Signature]  
Kia Wilson, Attorney for  
Defendant

69441  
SC Bar #

The Defendant is committed to the  SCDC  County Detention Center  Home Incarceration Program  
for a determinate term of 10 days/months/years/Time Served  YOANTE \_\_\_\_\_ years and/or shall pay a fine  
of \$ \_\_\_\_\_; provided that upon the service of \_\_\_\_\_ days/months/years/Time Served and or payment  
of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ plus costs and assessments as applicable\*; balance is suspended with probation for \_\_\_\_\_ months/years  
and subject to SCDPPPS standard conditions of probation, which are incorporated by reference.

The sentence shall run  CONCURRENT or  CONSECUTIVE to sentence on: \_\_\_\_\_  
 The Defendant is to be given credit for time served pursuant to S.C. Code § 24-13-40 to be calculated and applied by SCDC  
232 (days/months)  To include time spent on monitored house arrest prior to trial and sentencing

SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

- PTUP \_\_\_\_\_
- No Contact with Victim  Domestic Violence Intervention Program  Hold for Inpatient Treatment
- Sex Offender Registry pursuant to S.C. Code § 23-3-430  SAC/MHC if necessary
- Central Registry of Child Abuse and Neglect pursuant to S.C. Code § 17-25-135
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

RESTITUTION See Separate Order (20% per S.C. Code §24-21-490(B) )

§14-1-206 (Assessments 107.5%)		Restitution	\$ _____
§14-1-211 (A)(1) Conv. Surcharge		FINE:	\$ _____
§14-1-211 (A)(2)(DUI Surcharge)	Fine/Costs and Assessments are to be paid to the Clerk of Court within <u>\$25.00</u> days/months <u>4</u>		\$ _____
§56-5-1995 (DUI Assessment)			\$ _____
§56-1-286 (DUI Breath Test)			\$ _____
§14-1-212 (Law Enforcement Funding)	<u>beginning 3/23/2026</u>		\$ _____
§14-1-213 (Drug Court Surcharge)			\$ _____
§34-11-70(b)and(c), and 34-11-90(c)and(d) (Admin Fraud Check Court Costs)			\$ _____
§50-21-114 (BUI Breath Test Fee)			\$ _____
§56-5-2942(J) (Vehicle Assessment)			\$ _____
3% to County (if paid in installments)			\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Appointed PD or appointed other counsel. Provisio requires \$500 to be paid to Clerk during probation and shall be collected before any other fees			\$ _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> §17-3-45(B) Unpaid Application Fee to be paid to the Public Defender Fund			\$ _____
		TOTAL	\$ <u>323.25</u>

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Renee Elvis  
Clerk of Court/Deputy Clerk

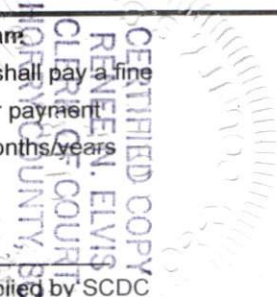
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Judge Code

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Sentence Date

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Presiding Judge

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STATE vs.

Gerald Lamont Steele

AKA:

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RACE: [REDACTED]

SEX: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED]

INDICTMENT/CASE#: 2025-GS-26-05719

AW#: 2025A2610201832

Date of Offense: 12/01/2024

S.C Code§: 44-53-370(e)

CDR Code #: 0149

Range of Offense: Trafficking Heroin 28g or More (25-40 YEARS & \$200,000)

In disposition of the above indictment comes now the Defendant who was CONVICTED OF  or  PLEADS

TO: Possession with Intent to Distribute Heroin 2nd Offense

Range of Offense Pled: (5-30 YEARS &/OR \$30,000)

In violation of § 44-53-370 of the S.C. Code of Laws, bearing CDR Code # 0184

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[Signature] 80071 Kia Wilson 69441  
Joshua D. Holford, SC Bar # Kia Wilson, Attorney for Defendant, SC Bar #

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- §56-5-2942(J) (Vehicle Assessment)
- 3% to County (if paid in installments)

- Appointed PD or appointed other counsel. Provisio requires \$500 to be paid to Clerk during probation and shall be collected before any other fees
- §17-3-45(B) Unpaid Application Fee to be paid to the Public Defender Fund

Restitution	\$ _____
FINE:	\$ _____
	\$ _____
	\$ 100.00
	\$ _____
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	\$ _____
	\$ _____
	\$ _____
	\$ 40/ea
	\$ _____
	\$ 8.25
	\$ _____
	\$ 500
	\$ _____
	\$ 40
	\$ _____
TOTAL	\$ 283.25

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Clerk of Court/Deputy Clerk  
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Presiding Judge

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**WITNESSES**

Officer A Spain, Horry County Police  
Department  
HCPD2024164128

*Tre'sean McQueen*

**ARREST WARRANT NUMBER**

2025A2610201794  
DOA: 07/08/2025

**ACTION OF GRAND JURY**

**TRUE BILL**

*[Signature]*  
Foreperson of Grand Jury

Date: **SEP 10 2025**

**VERDICT**

Foreperson of Petit Jury  
Date:

DOCKET NO. 2025-GS-26-05716

**The State of South Carolina**  
**County of Horry**

Joshua D. Holford  
0378353

**COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS**

**September 2025 TERM**

**THE STATE**

**V.**

**GERALD LAMONT STEELE**  
B/M  
DOB: [REDACTED]  
SSN: [REDACTED]

**Indictment for**

**TRAFFICKING COCAINE**

CDR: 0388

Statute: 44-53-370(e)

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )  
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INDICTMENT


At a Court of General Sessions, convened on September 10, 2025, the Grand Jurors of Horry County present upon their oath:

**Trafficking Cocaine**

CDR: 0388 44-53-370(e)

The defendant, Gerald Lamont Steele, did on or about December 20, 2024, in Horry County, South Carolina, knowingly sell, deliver, or distribute, or bring into this State, or was knowingly in actual or constructive possession of twenty-eight (28) grams or more but less than one hundred (100) grams of COCAINE or any mixtures containing cocaine, as provided in 44-53-210(b)(4), all in violation of 44-53-370(e), Code of Laws of South Carolina (1976, as amended).

Against the peace and dignity of the State, and contrary to the statute in such case made and provided.



JIMMY A. RICHARDSON, II  
FIFTEENTH CIRCUIT SOLICITOR

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**WITNESSES**

Officer A Spain, Horry County Police  
Department  
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*Tre'sean McQueen*

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DOA: 07/08/2025

**ACTION OF GRAND JURY**

**TRUE BILL**

*J. G. Anderson*  
Foreperson of Grand Jury  
Date: **SEP 10 2025**

**VERDICT**

Foreperson of Petit Jury  
Date:

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**The State of South Carolina  
County of Horry**

Joshua D. Holford  
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**COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS**

**September 2025 TERM**

THE STATE

V.

GERALD LAMONT STEELE

B/ M  
DOB: [REDACTED]  
SSN: [REDACTED]

Indictment for

**TRAFFICKING HEROIN**

CDR: 0149

Statute: 44-53-370(e)

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COUNTY OF HORRY )

INDICTMENT

At a Court of General Sessions, convened on September 10, 2025, the Grand Jurors of Horry County present upon their oath:


**Trafficking Heroin**

CDR: 0149 44-53-370(e)

The defendant, Gerald Lamont Steele, did on or about July 7, 2025, in Horry County, South Carolina, knowingly sell, or bring into this State, or was knowingly in actual or constructive possession off twenty-eight (28) grams or more of any morphine, opium, salt, isomer, or salt of an isomer thereof, namely HEROIN, as described in Section 44-53-190 or 44-53-210, or twenty-eight (28) grams or more of any mixture containing any of these, all in violation of 44-53-370(e), Code of Laws of South Carolina (1976, as amended).

Against the peace and dignity of the State, and contrary to the statute in such case made and provided.

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ARREST WARRANT

2025A2610201794

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of

Horry

THE STATE

2024164128

against

Gerald Lamont Steele

Address: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED] SSN: [REDACTED]

Sex: [REDACTED] Race: [REDACTED] Height: [REDACTED] Weight: [REDACTED]

DL State: [REDACTED] DL #: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED] Agency ORI #: SC0260400

Prosecuting Agency: Horry County Police Department

Prosecuting Officer: Arnold E Spain - S01079

Offense: Drugs / Trafficking in cocaine, 28 g or more, but less than 100 g - 2nd offense

Offense Code: 0388

Code/Ordinance Sec: 44-53-0370(e)(2)(b)2

This warrant is CERTIFIED FOR SERVICE in the [ ] County/ [ ] Municipality of

The accused

is to be arrested and brought before me to be dealt with according to the law.

(L.S.)

Signature of Judge

Date:

RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to defendant Gerald Lamont Steele on July 8, 2025

[Signature] Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

General Sessions PO Box 677 1301 2nd Avenue Conway, SC 29528

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )

[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of )

Horry )

Personally appeared before me the affiant Arnold E Spain who

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant Gerald Lamont Steele did within this county and state on or about 12/1/2025

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of [X] County/ [ ] Municipality of Horry) in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Drugs / Trafficking in cocaine, 28 g or more, but less than 100 g - 2nd offense

I further state that there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit the crime set forth and that probable cause is based on the following facts:

In December 2024, Detective Spain, with the Horry County Police did conduct a controlled narcotic buy(s) in the Longs section of Horry County using a CI(s) / CI's. The CI(s) / CI's were provided official police funds, wired with audio and video surveillance equipment, and searched before and after. The defendant distributed a white powdery substance to the confidential CI / CIs for a negotiated amount of funds. The CI / CI's then returned the substance to Detective Spain, and it was the presumptive test positive for Cocaine and had a weight of more than 28 grams but less than 100 grams. There was audio and video of the event. In doing so the defendant violates SC Code of Laws 44-53-0370 (e) (2) (b) Trafficking Cocaine 2nd Offense. R/O Det. Spain Case # 2024164128

Signature of Affiant

[Signature]

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )

[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of )

Horry )

Affiant's Address 2560 North Main Street

Conway, SC 29526-

Affiant's Telephone

ARREST WARRANT

TO ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THIS STATE OR MUNICIPALITY OR ANY CONSTABLE OF THIS COUNTY:

It appearing from the above affidavit that there are reasonable grounds to believe that

on or about 12/1/2025 defendant Gerald Lamont Steele

did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of

[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of Horry) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Drugs / Trafficking in cocaine, 28 g or more, but less than 100 g - 2nd offense

Having found probable cause and the above affiant having sworn before me, you are empowered and directed to arrest the said defendant and bring him or her before me forthwith to be dealt with according to law. A copy of this Arrest Warrant shall be delivered to the defendant at the time of its execution, or as soon thereafter as is practicable

Sworn to and subscribed before me )

on 7/6/2025 )

[Signature] (L.S.) )

Manuela Ardeljan Clayton )

Judge Code: 7403 )

Judge's Address: Surfside Magistrate Office

Myrtle Beach, SC 29588-

Judge's Telephone: (843)915-5291

Issuing Court: [X] Magistrate [ ] Municipal [ ] Circuit

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Form Approved by S.C. Attorney General April 21, 2003 SCCA 518

BAIL set by

Judge A. Brown  
on 7-8-25  
Type and Amount: Denied  
Name of Surety: \_\_\_\_\_

**PRELIMINARY HEARING held by**

Judge \_\_\_\_\_  
on \_\_\_\_\_  
Defendant Attorney: \_\_\_\_\_  
Decision: \_\_\_\_\_

**DISPOSITION before**

Judge \_\_\_\_\_  
on \_\_\_\_\_  
by \_\_\_\_\_  
(indicate jury trial, bench trial, plea, nol. pros., etc.)

Disposition: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

**JURORS**

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**WITNESSES**

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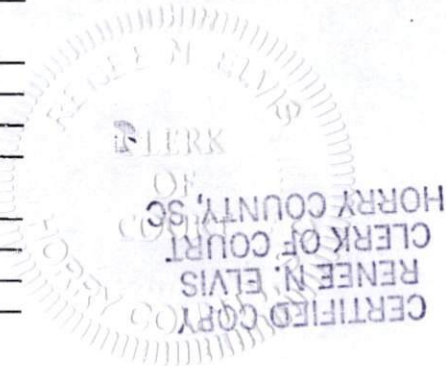
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**CODEFENDANTS**

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[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of

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THE STATE

2024164128

against

Gerald Lamont Steele

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Phone: [REDACTED] SSN: [REDACTED]

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DOB: [REDACTED] Agency ORI #: SC0260400

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Code/Ordinance Sec: 44-53-0370(e)(3)(

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(L.S.)

Signature of Judge

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on July 8, 2025

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did within this county and state on or about 7/7/2025 violate the criminal laws of the

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of [X] County/ [ ] Municipality of Horry)

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: Drugs / Trafficking in Heroin, morphine, etc., 28 g or more

I further state that there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit the crime set forth and that probable cause is based on the following facts:

On July 07, 2025, Horry County Police Department Narcotics Division executed a search warrant at 188 Devonbrook Pl. in the Longs section of Horry County. Upon searching the residence, detectives located a baggie containing a black tar-like substance with a packaged weight of 96.2 grams. The black tar presumptively tested positive for Heroin. In doing so the defendant violates SC Code of Laws 44-53-0370 (e) (3) (c) Trafficking Heroin more than 28 grams. R/O Det. Spain Case # 2024164128

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

[X] County/ [ ] Municipality of

Horry

Affiant's Address 2560 North Main Street

Conway, SC 29526-

Affiant's Telephone

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did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of

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Sworn to and subscribed before me

on 7/8/2025

Signature of Issuing Judge Mary Angela Brown (L.S.)

Mary Angela Brown

Judge Code: 7558

Judge's Address J. Reuben Long Detention Center

Conway, SC 29526-

Judge's Telephone (843)915-5145

Issuing Court: [X] Magistrate [ ] Municipal [ ] Circuit

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BAIL set by

WITNESSES

Judge A. Brown  
on 7-8-25  
Type and Amount: Denied  
Name of Surety: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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PRELIMINARY HEARING held by

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Defendant Attorney: \_\_\_\_\_  
Decision: \_\_\_\_\_

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DISPOSITION before

Judge \_\_\_\_\_  
on \_\_\_\_\_  
by \_\_\_\_\_  
(indicate jury trial, bench trial, plea, nol. pros., etc.)  
Disposition: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )  
COUNTY OF HORRY )

IN THE COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS  
OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )

CERTIFICATE OF REPRESENTATION  
(APPOINTING AS COUNSEL)

-VS-

GERALD STEELE

KIA WILSON

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DEFENDANT )

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FILE NO: 26A25-00003633

TO: Clerk of Court of General Sessions of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit  
Office of the Solicitor  
Appointed Counsel  
Defendant

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This certifies that the above captioned Defendant is eligible for the services of the Public Defender, such determination having been made on, 13th day of August, 2025, regarding the charge(s) of:

2025A2610201830 Drugs / Trafficking in MDMA or ecstasy 100 dosage units or more, but less than 500 dosage units or the equivalent, 1st offense

2025A2610201831 Drugs / Trafficking in Fentanyl, 28 grams or more

2025A2610201832 Drugs / Trafficking in Heroin, morphine, etc., 28 g or more

2025A2610201794 Drugs / Trafficking in cocaine, 28 g or more, but less than 100 g - 2nd offense

2025A2610201795 Drugs / Trafficking in Heroin, morphine, etc., 28 g or more

2025A2610201796 Drugs / Trafficking in Fentanyl, 14 grams or more, but less than 28 grams

The Defendant's Counsel is **Kia Wilson**. The office of the Public Defender requests on the Defendant's behalf any and all evidence in the possession of you and or your agents pursuant to S.C. Criminal Practice Rule 5, and Brady v. Maryland 373 U.S. 383 (1963). The formal Motion for Discovery is attached.

CONWAY, SC  
DATED: August 14, 2025

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IN THE COURT OF GENERAL SESSION  
OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)  
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OF SPECIFIC EVIDENCE AND  
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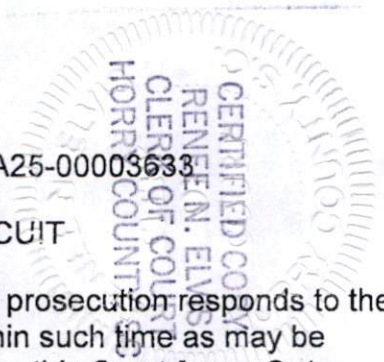
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TO: SOLICITOR FOR THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that unless the prosecution responds to the Defendant's request for disclosure within 30 days, or within such time as may be ordered by the Court, Counsel for the Defendant will move this Court for an Order compelling that the State:

1. Make available for Defendant any and all written and oral statements by the Defendant which are, or may come to be, in the possession of the State.
2. Make available for purposes of inspection, and copying, any and all police reports relating to the investigation and circumstances surrounding the crime which the Defendant is charged with, including any and all statements taken from witnesses and the Defendant.
3. Make available to the Defendant all tangible objects obtained during the investigation of this case, including, but not limited to:
  - (a) All tangible objects obtained from the scene of the crime; and
  - (b) All tangible objects obtained from the State's witnesses in this case
  - (c) All tangible objects the State intends to introduce into evidence at Trial which are relevant to the offense charged.
4. Make available any witnesses known to the State who have knowledge of facts which might be favorable to the Defendant.
5. Make available any promises made or actions taken by the State which caused or might have caused any witnesses for the State to testify on behalf of the State.
6. Make available any inconsistent statements made by witnesses for the State or any statements made by witnesses for the State which tend to exculpate the Defendants or to negate participation by the Defendants in the alleged crime.
7. Make available to the Defendant all results of laboratory tests, scientific tests, or physical examinations conducted in connection with this case, including but not limited to:
  - (a) Analysis of handwriting
  - (b) Photographs secured of the scene of the crime
  - (c) Comparison of fingerprints
  - (d) DNA analysis
8. Make available any facts which tend to exculpate the Defendant.



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9. Make available any and all scientific or medical, psychiatric, legal or other information, reports or records which might tend to reflect on the credibility or competence of any of prospective witnesses for the State.

10. Make available to the Defendant the names and addresses of all persons who have knowledge of this case or who have been interviewed by the investigating officers in connection with this case.

11. Make available to the Defendant, the SLED, FBI, and local arrest and conviction records of all persons, including the Defendant, named in connection with this proceeding.

12. Make any chemist, analyst, and all persons within the chain of custody appear in Court for the purpose of personally testifying. Attorney for the Defense thus objects to the introduction of any chemist's or analyst's report pursuant to Rule 6, S.C. Rules of Criminal Procedure.

13. Make available to the Defendant all video and audio recordings and/or notarized affidavits made pursuant to South Carolina Code § 56-5-2953 and any other applicable South Carolina Statute or regulation, including but not limited to:

- (a) Police and booking reports;
- (b) Police logs;
- (c) Alcohol influence reports;
- (d) Accident reports
- (e) Reports dealing with defendant's refusal to submit to testing;
- (f) Notes taken from any recording by Law Enforcement regarding conversations with potential prosecution witnesses
- (g) Any notes taken by Law Enforcement with regards to this case which the officer intends to rely on, or make use of, at trial.
- (h) The names of the officers or other witnesses who were with the Defendant within one hour of the arrest who had the opportunity to observe the appearance and behavior of the Defendant, to include the identity of any officer present at the scene of arrest.
- (i) The time and place where the Defendant was given the Miranda warning and the name of the officer who advised him/her of the same.
- (j) Any reports made by any laboratory or hospital concerning any examination made of any physical (urine, blood, etc.), photographic, or written evidence related to the Defendant's case.
- (k) The records of analysis and the results of any chemical, urine, or breathalyzer tests administered to the Defendant.

14. Make available to the Defendant following information regarding the person(s) who administered the Defendant's chemical/breathalyzer tests:

- (a) The person's name and the name of his/her employer;
- (b) The date of his/her original certification to give chemical/breathalyzer tests and the grade he/she received on the exam;
- (c) The date of his/her most recent certification to give said tests; And his/her compliance with statutes and regulations providing for standards of training for person(s) administering such tests.

15. If the Defendant's blood alcohol concentration was determined on the basis of a test involving the use of any machine, provide the following information:

- (a) The type of machine used and the make, model, and serial number of particular machine;

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- (b) The manufacturer and the date of manufacture of the machine;
- (c) The owner's manual and the instruction manual;
- (d) The software program used in said machine;
- (e) The date of purchase by the agency owning the machine;
- (f) The location of machine;
- (g) The number of prior tests conducted on the machine;
- (h) All maintenance information for the last two years, including all repairs done and all calibrations made on the machine;
- (i) The results of all tests performed in the thirty (30) days prior to the date of the Defendant's arrests, including any tests in which the machine malfunctioned;
- (j) Any checklist to be used by the operator of the machine, either before, during, or after the admission of a test.

This information is requested pursuant to Rule 5 of the South Carolina Rules of Criminal Procedure. This information is further requested pursuant to Brady vs Maryland, 373 U.S. 383, 10 L. Ed. 2d 215, 83 S. Ct. 1194 (1963), U.S. vs Agurs, 427 U.S. 97, 49 L Ed 2nd 342, 96 S. Ct. 2392 1976, State vs Mixon 274 S.E. 2nd 406 (1981), City of Rock Hill vs Suchenski, 374 S.C. 12, 646 S.E.2d 879 (2007). Further this information is requested on the grounds that it is essential to insure the Defendant's right to a fair trial, right to confrontation of witnesses, the right to effective Counsel and due process of law guaranteed by the South Carolina Constitution, and the United States Constitution.

**ADDITIONALLY, DEFENDANT REQUESTS A SPEEDY TRIAL:**

The Defendant requests and asserts his / her right to a speedy trial in General Sessions Court in this County pursuant to the 6th Amendment to the United States Constitution, as well as Article I, Section 14 of the South Carolina Constitution, and under relevant case law.

WHEREFORE, Defendant prays:

- (a) That the Solicitor be Ordered to produce all information described herein and allow the Defendant the right to examine, inspect, copy and photograph, such materials and information at a specific time and place to be fixed by the Court.
- (b) That the information be provided no later than 30 days from the date of this request, as reflected by the Clerk of Court's time-stamp appearing on the face of this Document.
- (c) That the Court enter an Order requiring the Solicitor's Office to make continuing disclosure of all matters requested herein up to and during the Trial of the charges against the Defendant.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

RONALD W. JAZZARD  
 FIFTEENTH CIRCUIT  
 PUBLIC DEFENDER

CONWAY, SOUTH CAROLINA  
 DATED: August 14, 2025

