

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Court of Appeals

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APPEAL FROM COLLETON COUNTY
Court of General Sessions

The Honorable Donald B. Hocker, Circuit Court Judge

Warrant No (s): 2021A1510100744, 2021A1510100745,
2021A1510100746
Indictment No (s): 2021GS1501135, 2021GS1501136,
2021GS1501137

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

Respondent.

v.

Jedidiah J Worrick,

Appellant.

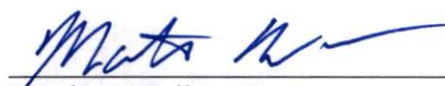
NOTICE OF APPEAL

Jedidiah J Worrick appeals his trial, conviction and sentence on the charge(s) of Children / Legal Custodian, Unlawful Neglect Of Child Or Helpless Person (3 Counts) before the Honorable Donald B. Hocker, Presiding Judge, Fourteenth Judicial Circuit; and Jedidiah J Worrick appeals the Denial of his Motion for Direct Verdict and such errors that may become apparent from a review of the record. The trial took place from April 20, 2026 Through April 23, 2026 before the Honorable D. Hocker, Presiding Judge, Fourteenth Judicial Circuit.

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served the Notice of Appeal on the below listed respondents by depositing a copy of it in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, on April 27, 2026.

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I further certify that on April 27, 2026 an Original Notice of Intent to Appeal in the above captioned case was filed with the Colleton County Clerk of Court.

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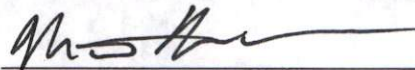
Dear Sir/ Madam:

Enclosed you will find the original Notice of Appeal in the above matter along with Proof of Service upon the Respondents. The Notice has been filed with the Colleton County Clerk of Court. Also enclosed is a copy of the sentencing sheet from which this appeal is taken and a copy of the warrant(s) and indictment(s).

These matters are being referred to the Office of Appellate Defense in that we were participating as Court appointed counsel at trial.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours very truly,



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Enclosure

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