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Case No. 2025GS3202127

The State, Respondent,

v.

David Elston McLeod, Appellant.

NOTICE OF APPEAL

David Elston McLeod appeals his conviction for violation of sex offender monitoring device and his sentence of five years. On July 7, 2026, Mr. McLeod proceeded to a bench trial before the Honorable Vernon F. Dunbar. He returned a verdict of guilty on July 7, 2026. Judge Dunbar imposed a sentence of five years.

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I certify that I have served the Notice of Appeal on Christy M. Oler, Wanda H. Carter, and David McLeod in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, on July 13, 2026, addressed to:

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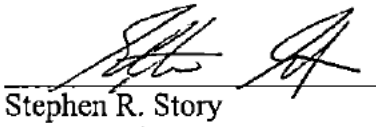

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Re: The State vs. David Elston McLeod (Notice of Appeal)

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

I have enclosed an original and one copy of the Notice of Appeal, along with the warrant, indictment, and sentencing sheet in the above-referenced case for filing in your office. Please file the original and return the clocked-in copy to me in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope.

I am, by copy of this letter, serving this Notice of Appeal on Assistant Solicitor Christy M. Oler and Chief Appellate Defender Wanda H. Carter. A copy of Appellant's Notice of Appeal was hand-delivered to the Clerk of Court of Lexington County. Thank you for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Stephen R. Story

Enclosures noted

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