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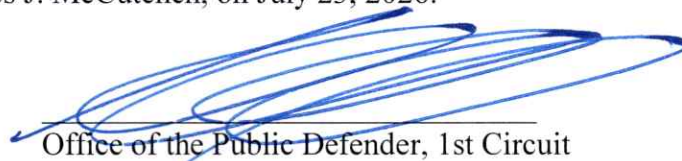
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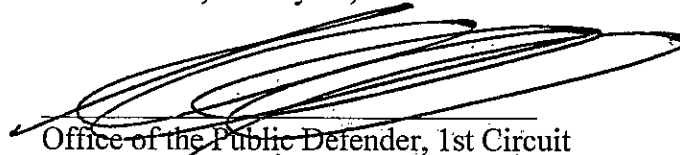
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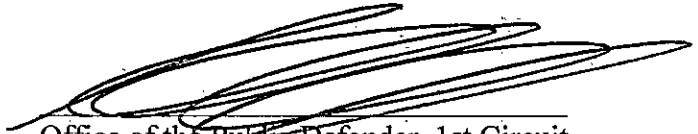
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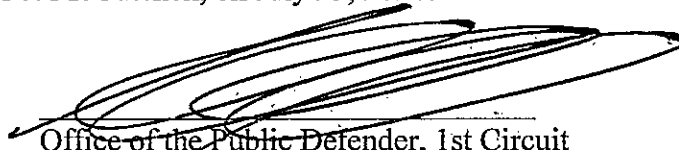
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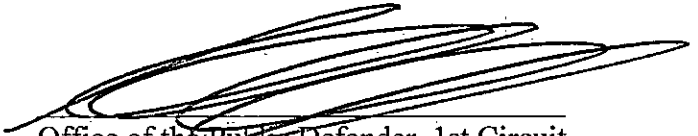
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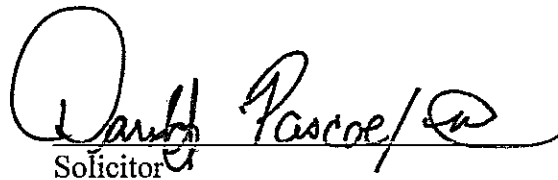
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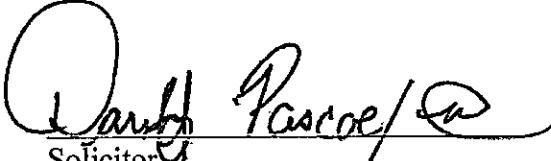
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VIA CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

The Honorable Jenny A. Kitchings
Clerk of Court
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PO Box 11629
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Re: State v. Marion Andrew Aiken, Jr.

Charge(s): Murder / Murder; Weapons / Poss. weapon during violent crime,
if not also sentenced to life without parole or death
Warrant/Ticket No(s): 2023A3810200080; 2023A3810200081

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Enclosed please find the original *Notice of Appeal, Explanation of Appeal, Acceptance of Service, and Proof of Service*, with two copies. Also enclosed you will find certified true copies of the warrant(s), assignment sheet, sentencing sheet(s), and the indictment(s) in this case.

Please file the original and have the copies clocked in and returned to me in the enclosed, stamped, self-addressed envelope. As you can see, the defendant is indigent and accordingly there should be no docketing fee.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

ORANGEBURG COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER

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Enclosures: As stated.