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**THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS**

**APPEAL FROM CHARLESTON COUNTY
Court of General Sessions**

The Honorable Deadra L. Jefferson, Presiding Judge

**INDICTMENT NO(S).: 2024-GS-10-05272; 2024-GS-10-05273
WARRANT NO(S).: 2023A1010300102; 2023A1010300103; W10220087**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, RESPONDENT

vs.

DEANDRE ANTWAN NESBITT COCHRAN, APPELLANT

NOTICE OF APPEAL

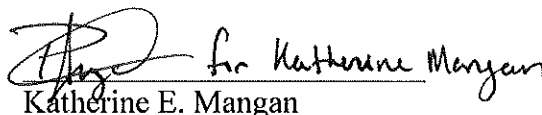
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Deandre Antwan Nesbitt Cochran appeals his conviction and sentence in this case in addition to the General Sessions Court's denial of his motion for a new trial or in the alternative resentencing.

On February 05, 2026, the Defendant was found guilty of Murder and Possession of a Weapon During a Violent Crime. Accordingly, the Honorable Deadra L. Jefferson sentenced Cochran to 45 years on Murder and to 5 years on the Possession of a Weapon During a Violent Crime.

On February 13, 2026, Cochran filed a motion for a new trial or in the alternative resentencing within 10 days of his conviction date, per Rule 29 of the South Carolina Rules of Criminal Procedure, and on February 20, 2026, the State filed a response to Cochran's motion.

On July 31, 2026, the General Sessions Court issued an order denying Cochran's motion for a new trial or in the alternative resentencing with written notice of the order received by Cochran's attorney on July 31, 2026.



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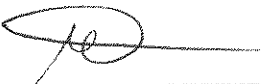
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PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served the Notice of Appeal on Timothy Francis Finch, Assistant Solicitor for Charleston County, by hand delivering a copy of it to the Charleston County Solicitor's Office at 101 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401, on August 03, 2026.

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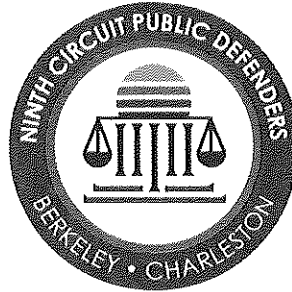


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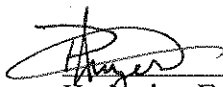
Re: State of South Carolina vs. Deandre Antwan Nesbitt Cochran
Warrant No: 2023A1010300102; 2023A1010300103
Charge(s): Murder; Possession Of A Weapon During The Commission Of A
Violent Crime

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed is a duplicate set of the Appeal papers, which I have forwarded to the Clerk of the South Carolina Court of Appeals concerning the above-subject defendant. This defendant was represented by our office as an indigent, pursuant to the Defense of Indigents Act. It is requested that your office assume the Appeal of this case.

The name of the Court Reporter is Jamie Bickett, DCRP. I have enclosed documents usually requested by your office. If I can be of assistance by discussing this case with you, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

 for Katherine Mangan

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Enclosure(s): As stated above