

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

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

Misti H. Shelton, Circuit Court Judge

Case No(s).: 2021-GS-29-00096 & 2021-GS-29-01327

The State of South Carolina,

Respondent.

v.

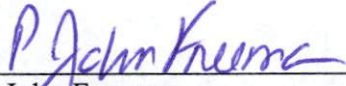
Richard Brown, Jr.

Appellant.

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Richard Brown, Jr. appeals his trial and sentence in this case. The sentence was imposed by the Honorable Misti H. Shelton on August 5, 2026.

Date: August 7, 2026



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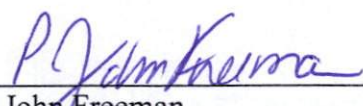
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I certify that I have served the Notice of Appeal on the State of South Carolina by personally delivering a copy of it to its attorney of record, Kaitlyn Easler, Assistant Solicitor, at her office at the Lancaster County Courthouse, Lancaster, South Carolina, 29720 on August 7, 2026.

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RE: State of South Carolina vs. Richard Brown, Jr.
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Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Enclosed for filing is the Notice of Appeal in above case. Also enclosed are the following: Please be advised that with this letter I am filing:

1. Proof of Service of the Appeal on the State

This is an appeal from an appointed criminal case and, therefore, I anticipate that Appellate Defense will handle the appeal. I am copying them with this letter and the enclosed documents.

This appeal is from a trial and is therefore being filed pursuant to Rule 203(d)(1)(B)(ii) and 203(b)(2). Because this is a General Sessions (criminal appeal) there is no fee required per 203(d)(1)(B)(iii).

Sincerely,



P John Freeman
Attorney for the Appellant

Enclosures

cc: Kaitlyn Easler, Assistant Solicitor

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