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

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

The Honorable Thomas J. Rode, Presiding Judge

**INDICTMENT NO(S): 2025-GS-10-05634; 2025-GS-10-05635; 2025-GS-10-05638
WARRANT NO(S): 2024A1010205175; 2024A1010205176; 2024A1010205181**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, RESPONDENT

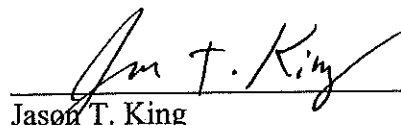
vs.

DEONTE AKEEM DICKS, APPELLANT

NOTICE OF APPEAL

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Deonte Akeem Dicks appeals his conviction and sentence in this case. On August 05, 2026, the Defendant was found guilty of Trafficking Fentanyl 4-14g 2nd offense; Trafficking Meth 28-100g 2nd offense; Failure to Stop for Blue Light. Accordingly, the Honorable Thomas J. Rode sentenced Deonte Dicks to 25 years on Trafficking Fentanyl; 7 years on Trafficking Meth and 3 years on Failure to Stop for Blue Light.



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PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served the Notice of Appeal to Hunt Russell, 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 11, 2026.



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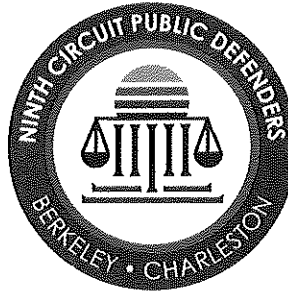
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Re: State of South Carolina vs. Deonte Akeem Dicks
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Charge(s): Trafficking In Fentanyl; Trafficking In Cocaine; Failure To Stop For Blue Light

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 Yvestre Torres, 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jason T. King".

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Enclosure(s): As stated above