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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM ORANGEBURG COUNTY
The Honorable Maite Murphy, Circuit Court Judge

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2022-GS-38-01202, 2022-GS-38-01203, 2022GS38-1196, 2022GS38-1200, 2022GS38-1201

The State Respondent

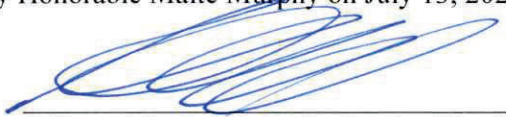
vs.

Ethan Thorne Anderson..... Appellant

EXPLANATION OF APPEAL

Ethan Anderson appeals His guilty plea and sentence in the aforementioned cases. Mr. Anderson plead guilty on April 16, 2024 and was sentenced to life in prison by The Honorable Maite Murphy. Attorney R. Douglas Mellard filed A Motion to Reconsider on behalf of Mr. Anderson on April 16, 2024. An Order Denying Motion to Reconsider was signed by Honorable Maite Murphy on July 13, 2026 and was received by our office on August 14, 2026.

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served the Notice of Appeal and Explanation of Appeal on David Pascoe, Assistant Solicitor for Orangeburg County, by hand delivering a copy of it to the Orangeburg County Solicitor's Office at 151 Docket Street, Orangeburg, South Carolina 29115, on August 14, 2026. The Notice of Appeal and Explanation of Appeal was clocked in the Orangeburg County Clerk of Court's Office on August 14, 2026.

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ACCEPTANCE OF SERVICE

Due and legal service of the within *Notice of Appeal and Explanation of Appeal* by the attorney for the above defendant, in the above entitled action is hereby accepted and a copy retained by Solicitor, David M. Pascoe, Jr., in Orangeburg, South Carolina, this 14th day of August 2026.

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VIA CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

The Honorable Jenny A. Kitchings
Clerk of Court
SC Court of Appeals
PO Box 11629
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Re: State v. Ethan Thorne Anderson

Charge(s): Murder / Murder; Assault / Attempted Murder (3 Counts);
Weapons / Poss. weapon during violent crime, if not also
sentenced to life without parole or death (4 Counts)
Warrant/Ticket No(s): 2022A3810700416; 2022A3810200107; 2022A3810200108;
2022A3810200109; 2022A3810200105; 2022A3810200106;
2022A3810200110; 2022A3810200111

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


R. Douglas Mellard, Esq.
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Enclosures: As stated.
cc: Ms. Wanda H. Carter