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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

**INDICTMENTS: 2026-GS-10-04222; 2026-GS-10-04221
WARRANTS: 2022A1010200066; 2022A1010200067**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, RESPONDENT

VS.

LEVI MALEKE RICHARDSON, III, APPELLANT

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Levi Maleke Richardson, III appeals the sentence of the Honorable Thomas J. Rode, Circuit Judge of South Carolina, on August 12, 2026. The Defendant was found guilty of Murder; Possession of a Weapon During Violent Crime and received thirty (30) years on Murder and a consecutive five (5) years on the weapons charge. Following sentencing, Appellant's attorney inquired whether he would like to file for an appeal. Appellant requested that an appeal be filed and the Office of Appellate Defense to assist. We respectfully request an appeal on the above captioned matter.


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PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served the Notice of Appeal on, Jordan Norvell, 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 8/18/2026.



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Charges: Murder; PWDCVC

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Attached is the Notice of Intent to Appeal in the above-referenced case, together with appropriate Proof of Service upon the circuit Solicitor and Proof of Filing with the local Clerk of Court. The Defendant-Appellant was represented by the undersigned counsel and the McCoy Law Group, LLC. By copy of this letter, I am forwarding a duplicate set of these documents to the South Carolina Commission of Appellate Defense for their requested appointment to the case.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure(s): As stated above

cc. South Carolina Commission of Appellate Defense