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**THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In The Court of Appeals**

The State, Respondent,

v.

Lorenzo Jermaine Inman, Appellant.

Appellate Case No. 2010-179106

Appeal From Dillon County
Thomas A. Russo, Circuit Court Judge

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VACATED

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of Columbia; and Solicitor William Benjamin Rogers,
Jr., of Bennettsville, for Respondent.

PER CURIAM: Lorenzo Jermaine Inman has filed an appeal, alleging the trial
court erred in sentencing him for kidnapping the victim when section 16-3-910 of

the South Carolina Code (2003) prohibits such a sentence if the defendant is also sentenced for the victim's murder.

After careful consideration, we vacate Inman's kidnapping sentence pursuant to Rule 220(b), SCACR, and the following authorities: *State v. Baccus*, 367 S.C. 41, 48, 625 S.E.2d 216, 220 (2006) ("In criminal cases, the appellate court sits to review errors of law only."); § 16-3-910 (providing for imprisonment of a defendant convicted of kidnapping "for a period not to exceed thirty years unless sentenced for murder as provided in [s]ection 16-3-20 [of the South Carolina Code (2003 & Supp. 2013)]"); *State v. Bonner*, 400 S.C. 561, 565, 567, 735 S.E.2d 525, 527-28 (Ct. App. 2012) (finding although the issue was not preserved, an exceptional circumstance existed to vacate an erroneous sentence because "the State concede[d] in its brief that the trial court committed error by imposing an improper sentence"); *State v. Vick*, 384 S.C. 189, 202-03, 682 S.E.2d 275, 282 (Ct. App. 2009) (vacating a sentence for kidnapping pursuant to section 16-3-910 because the defendant received a concurrent sentence for murder and reaching the issue, even though not challenged at trial, in the interest of judicial economy).

VACATED.¹

WILLIAMS, KONDUROS, and LOCKEMY, JJ., concur.

¹ We decide this case without oral argument pursuant to Rule 215, SCACR.