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Case No.: 2018-GS-46-01923, 2018-GS-46-01923a

The State of South Carolina, Respondent
vs
Christopher Benjamin Mendez, Appellant


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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Christopher Benjamin Mendez appeals his guilty plea and the sentence imposed by the Honorable William A. McKinnon. On December 11, 2018 the Appellant pled guilty to Murder on indictment no: 2018-GS-46-1923 and Possession of a Weapon during a Violent Crime on indictment no: 2018-GS-46-1923a). Appellant received a Life sentence on indictment 2018-GS-46-01923 and Time Served on indictment 2018-GS-46-01923a.



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This 12 day of December, 2018
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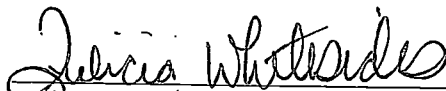
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This is to certify that a copy of the Notice of Appeal in the case of The State vs. Christopher Benjamin Mendez was served upon counsel for the State, Kevin Brackett, 16th Circuit Solicitor on December 12, 2018 by hand-delivering a copy to his office located at the 1675-1A York Hwy, York, South Carolina, 29745 by the undersigned.



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Dear Mr. Mendez:

Enclosed please find certified copies of the Notice of Appeal, Rule 203(B) Explanation and Certified Certificate of Service regarding your recent plea. Please note that you must inform the South Carolina Court of Appeals in writing, within **twenty (20) days** of the date of this letter, of any arguable basis that there are issues preserved for appeal.

You must send your arguments for your appeal to the following address:

**South Carolina Court of Appeals
P.O. Box 11629
Columbia, South Carolina 29211**

Sincerely,

**Philip L. Smith
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Sixteenth Judicial Circuit**

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Enclosure

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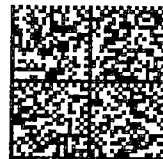
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