

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
In The Court of Appeals

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

Case No: 2021GS38-0469

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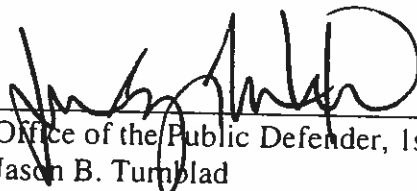
Steven Jorod Stokes . . . . . Appellant

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Steven Stokes appeals his guilty plea and sentence in this case. The sentence was imposed by The Honorable Maite Murphy, on August 30, 2021. Counsel for the defense orally made a Motion to Reconsider or in the alternative a Motion to Withdraw the Guilty Plea on September 1, 2021. Said motion was not granted and the defendant now appeals the motion along with the guilty plea and sentence.

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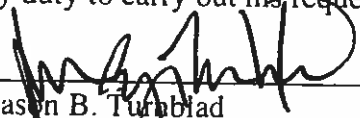
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**EXPLANATION OF APPEAL**

Steven Stokes appeals his guilty plea and sentence in the aforementioned cases. It is my opinion that there is no legal basis for this appeal. After his guilty plea, Mr. Stokes expressed his desire to appeal his sentence. As his attorney, it is my duty to carry out his request.

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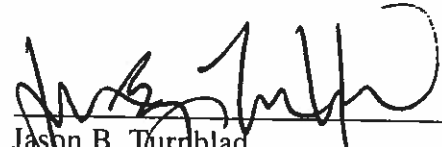
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PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served the Notice of Appeal and Explanation of Appeal on Catherine Hunter, 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 September 2nd, 2021. The Notice of Appeal and Explanation of Appeal was clocked in the Orangeburg County Clerk of Court's Office on September 2nd, 2021.

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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 2 day of September 2021.

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SHERIFF E. CLARK

  
Solicitor

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