

South Carolina Department of Corrections

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COLUMBIA, S.C. – The S.C. Department of Corrections received an order of execution for Death Row inmate Marion Bowman Jr. today.

The order was served on inmate Bowman this morning.

Bowman's execution date will be Jan. 31, which is set by law for four Fridays from the date the department receives the order.

By law, Bowman will be asked to elect his method of execution 14 days before execution day. Methods available are lethal injection, the electric chair and firing squad.

Bowman, 44, was sentenced to death in 2002 for murder and arson in the 2001 death of 21-year-old Kandee Martin in Dorchester County. Bowman shot and killed Martin, put her in the trunk of her car and lit the car on fire.

The Supreme Court of South Carolina

The State, Respondent,

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Marion Bowman, Jr., Appellant.

Appellate Case No. 2002-023546

The Honorable The Honorable Diane Schafer Goodstein Dorchester County Trial Court Case No. 2001GS1800348, 2001GS1800349

EXECUTION NOTICE

TO THE HONORABLE BRYAN PETER STIRLING, DIRECTOR OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS:

This is to notify you that the sentence of death imposed in the above case from which an appeal has been taken has been affirmed and finally disposed of by the Supreme Court of South Carolina and the remittitur has been sent to the Clerk of the Court of General Sessions.

IT IS, THEREFORE, required of you by Section 17-25-370 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina to execute the judgment and sentence of death imposed on said defendant on the fourth Friday after the service upon you or receipt of this notice.

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Let a copy of this notice be served immediately upon the defendant.

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Columbia, South Carolina January 3, 2025

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Chief Deputy Clerk, S. C. Supreme Court

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