

APPENDIX A

**Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals Order Filed on December 23, 2025, Dismissing
Petitioner's Appeal.**

FILED: December 23, 2025

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

No. 25-4316
(1:24-cr-00198-CCE-1)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff - Appellee,

v.

JOSEPH DOMINICK SANTORA,

Defendant - Appellant.

O R D E R

Joseph Dominick Santora seeks to appeal the 600-month sentence imposed by the district court following his guilty plea to receiving and producing child pornography, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 2252A(a)(2)(A), (b)(1), 2251(a), (e). The Government has moved to dismiss the appeal as barred by Santora's waiver of the right to appeal included in the plea agreement. Upon review of the record, we conclude that Santora knowingly and voluntarily waived his right to appeal and that the sentencing issues Santora seeks to raise on appeal fall squarely within the scope

of his valid waiver of appellate rights. Accordingly, we grant the Government's motion to dismiss.

Entered at the direction of the panel: Judge Wilkinson, Judge Rushing, and Senior Judge Floyd.

For the Court

/s/ Nwamaka Anowi, Clerk