[RECEIVING] [POSSESSING] RETAIL PROPERTY OBTAINED BY ORGANIZED RETAIL THEFT. Felony, G.S. 14-86.6(a)(2).

The defendant has been charged with [receiving] [possessing] retail property<sup>1</sup> obtained by organized retail theft<sup>2</sup>.

In order for you to find the defendant guilty of this offense, the State must prove two things beyond a reasonable doubt:

First, that the defendant [received] [possessed] any retail property [taken] [stolen]

by organized retail theft. Organized retail theft occurs when a person conspires with another person to commit theft of retail property from a retail establishment, with a value<sup>3</sup> exceeding \$1,500 aggregated over a 90-day period, with the intent to sell that retail property and who takes or causes that retail property to be placed in the control of a retail property fence<sup>4</sup> or other person in exchange for consideration.

And Second, that the defendant [knew] [had reasonable grounds to believe] this property was stolen.

If you find from the evidence beyond a reasonable doubt that on or about the alleged date the defendant [received] [possessed] any retail property [taken] [stolen] by organized retail theft, and that the defendant [knew] [had reasonable grounds to believe] the property was stolen, it would be your duty to return a verdict of guilty. If you do not so find or have a reasonable doubt as to one or both of these things, it would be your duty to return a verdict of not guilty.

<sup>1.</sup> According to G.S. 14-86.5(1) "retail property" is any new article, product, commodity, item or component intended to be sold in retail commerce.

<sup>2.</sup> According to G.S. 14-86.5(3) "theft" is "to take possession of, carry away, transfer, or cause to be carried away the retail property of another with the intent to steal the retail property.

<sup>3.</sup> According to G.S. 14-86.5(4) "value" is the retail value of an item as advertised by the affected retail establishment, to include all applicable taxes.

<sup>4.</sup> According to G.S. 14-86.5(2) a "retail property fence" is a person or business that buys retail property knowing or believing that the retail property is stolen.