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The defendant has been charged with the cyber-bullying of a school employee.

For you to find the defendant¹ guilty of this offense, the State must prove five things beyond a reasonable doubt:

First, that the defendant used a [computer] [computer network];

<u>Second</u>, that the defendant signed up² (*name school employee*) for a pornographic Internet site;

<u>Third</u>, that the defendant had the intent to [intimidate] [torment] the employee;

Fourth, that the defendant was a student at (name school);

And Fifth, that the victim of the cyber-bullying was a school employee.³

¹ G.S. 14-458.2 (a)(2) defines "student" as "a person who has been assigned to a school by a local board of education as provided in G.S. 115C-366; or has enrolled in a charter school authorized under G.S. 115C-238.29D, a regional school created under G.S. 115C-238.62, or a nonpublic school which has filed intent to operate under Part 1 or Part 2 of Article 39 of Chapter 115C of the General Statutes, or a person who has been suspended or expelled from any of these schools within the last year."

² While the statute does not define the term "sign up," this colloquial expression is commonly understood to mean enroll or to subscribe.

³ G.S. 14-458.2 (a)(1) defines "school employee" as "(a) An employee of a local board of education, a charter school authorized under G.S. 115C-238.29D, a regional school created under G.S. 115C-238.62, or a nonpublic school which has filed intent to operate under Part 1 or Part 2 of Article 39 of Chapter 115C of the General statutes. (b) An independent contractor or an employee of an independent contractor of a local board of education, a charter school authorized under G.S. 115C-238.29D, a regional school created under G.S. 115C-238.62, or a nonpublic school which has filed intent to operate under Part

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If you find from the evidence beyond a reasonable doubt that on or about the alleged date the defendant was a student and used a [computer] [computer network], to sign up a school employee for a pornographic Internet site, and that the defendant had the intent to [intimidate] [torment] the employee, 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 more of these things, then it would be your duty to return a verdict of not guilty.

¹ or Part 2 of Article 39 of Chapter 115C of the General Statutes, if the independent contractor carries out duties customarily performed by employees of the school."