FORGERY OF A CREDIT CARD (FINANCIAL TRANSACTION CARD) 1-- UNAUTHORIZED SIGNING OF A CREDIT CARD. FELONY. G.S. 14-113.11(a)(3).

The defendant has been charged with forgery of a credit card.

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

First, that the defendant signed the credit card.

<u>Second</u>, that the credit card was not issued to the defendant.

Third, that the person to whom the card was issued did not authorize the defendant to sign it.

And Fourth, that the defendant intended to defraud. $^2$ 

If you find from the evidence beyond a reasonable doubt that on or about the alleged date, without the permission of the cardholder and intending to defraud, the defendant signed a credit card which was not issued to him, 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, it would be your duty to return a verdict of not guilty.

 $<sup>1</sup>_{\rm G.S.}$  14-113.8(4) defines "financial transaction card" which includes a "credit card."

 $<sup>2</sup>_{\mbox{\footnotesize{Possible}}}$  victims of such a fraud are listed in the statute.