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The defendant has been charged with [receiving] [possessing] retail property¹ obtained by organized retail theft².

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 value³ 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 fence⁴ 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.

^{1.} According to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 14-86.5(1) "retail property" is any new article, product, commodity, item or component intended to be sold in retail commerce.

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2. According to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 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.

- 3. According to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 14-86.5(4) "value" is the retail value of an item as advertised by the affected retail establishment, to include all applicable taxes.
- 4. According to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 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.