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*HIS* ESCAPE. FELONY.

The defendant has been charged with using a deadly weapon in assisting a prisoner to effect *his* escape.

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

First, that (*name prisoner*) was:

[A. In the custody of the Division of Prisons. A person sentenced to [any unit of the State prison system] [jail to be assigned to work under the State Department of Correction] is in the custody of the Division of Prisons.]<sup>1</sup>

[B. Under the custody of a local confinement facility.<sup>2</sup> (*Name detention facility*) is a local confinement facility.]

Second, that while in such custody (*name prisoner*) escaped.

Third, that the defendant assisted (*name prisoner*) in *his* escape.

And Fourth, that the defendant effected the escape of (*name prisoner*) by the use of a deadly weapon. [A deadly weapon is any weapon capable of inflicting serious bodily injuries or death. In determining whether (*name weapon*) was a deadly weapon you should consider the nature of (*name weapon*) and the manner in which it was used.]

If you find from the evidence beyond a reasonable doubt that on or about the alleged date the prisoner was in the custody of [the Division of

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Prisons] [a local confinement facility], that (*name prisoner*) escaped from such custody, that the defendant assisted (*name prisoner*) in *his* escape, and that the defendant effected the escape of (*name prisoner*) by the use of a deadly weapon, 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>3</sup>

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1. See N.C. Gen. Stat. § 148-4.

2. See N.C. Gen. Stat. § 153A-217(5) for a definition of "local confinement facility."

3. If there is to be an instruction on a lesser included offense, the last phrase should be ". . . you will not return a verdict of guilty of using a deadly weapon in assisting a prisoner to effect his escape."