

Court of Appeals of the State of Georgia

ATLANTA, August 17, 2026

The Court of Appeals hereby passes the following order:

A27A0128. JOSEPH Q. BOONE v. THE STATE.

Following a jury trial, Joseph Q. Boone was convicted of criminal attempt to commit child molestation, trafficking of a person for sexual servitude, computer pornography, obscene internet contact with a child, and criminal attempt to commit sexual exploitation of a child. On appeal from the denial of Boone's motion for new trial, this Court reversed his convictions for obscene internet contact with a child and criminal attempt to commit sexual exploitation of a child and affirmed the remaining convictions. *Boone v. State*, 371 Ga. App. 207 (899 SE2d 811) (2024). Boone subsequently filed a motion to set aside judgment, in which he claimed that the indictment failed to sufficiently allege the charged crimes. The trial court dismissed the motion, and Boone filed this direct appeal. We lack jurisdiction.

A challenge to an indictment is a challenge to a criminal conviction. *Jones v. State*, 290 Ga. App. 490, 494(2) (659 SE2d 875) (2008). As the Supreme Court of Georgia has made clear, a post-conviction motion challenging the validity of a conviction and seeking to set aside or vacate the same is not a valid procedure in a criminal case. *Williams v. State*, 283 Ga. 94, 94-95 (656 SE2d 144) (2008). Thus, any effort to appeal from the denial or dismissal of such a motion must be dismissed. *Roberts v. State*, 286 Ga. 532, 532 (690 SE2d 150) (2010); *Harper v. State*, 286 Ga. 216, 218(2) (686 SE2d 786) (2009).

Accordingly, this appeal is hereby DISMISSED.



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Clerk's Office, Atlanta, 08/17/2026

*I certify that the above is a true extract from
the minutes of the Court of Appeals of Georgia.*

*Witness my signature and the seal of said court
hereto affixed the day and year last above written.*

Christina Bailey Smith

, Clerk.