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Deanthony Karieem Simmons  
SCDC Inmate Number #388341  
Kirkland Correctional Institution  
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**RE: Appeal for The State v. Deanthony K. Simmons  
Appellate Case No. 2022-001013**

Dear Mr. Simmons:

Included, please find a letter from the SC Court of Appeals dated August 1, 2022, regarding your appeal. Pursuant to Rule 203(d)(1)(B)(iv), I forwarded a letter to the court regarding the legal basis for your Notice of Intent to Appeal. You have 20 days from today's date of August 2, 2022, to send your basis of appeal to the court. If you recall, appeals of guilty pleas have very specific legal justification. It is my position that your guilty plea was done freely and voluntarily. If you disagree, you must contact the court directly. I have enclosed an envelope for expediency.

Sincerely,

Melisa W. Gay

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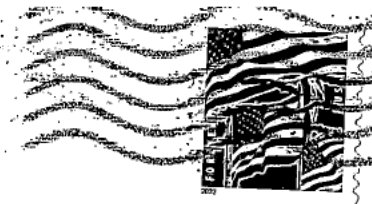
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