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August 19, 2022

The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings  
Clerk, S.C. Court of Appeals  
Post Office Box 11629  
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Re: State v. Rebecca A. Maxwell, Appellate Case No. 2022-000474

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

The brief of appellant and designation of matter to be included in the record on appeal are due to be served and filed with this Court on August 29, 2022. There have been no extensions requested in this case on appeal. However, while perusing the case file just recently, I discovered that we are in need of additional transcripts of pretrial hearings held on January 24, 2022 and January 30, 2022, as well as a *sealed ex parte hearing* held on a motion to relieve trial counsel on March 28, 2022. Apparently, all correspondence received from trial counsel in this case, including the notice of appeal paperwork, referred to the trial dates of March 29-30, 2022, and the sentencing hearing on April 7, 2022 as the only dates that a proceeding was held in the case. Nonetheless, we have ordered the missing transcripts today and would request that the time limits be held in abeyance pending receipt of the same. A copy of our transcript request is attached.

I am available should any questions arise in connection with this matter or if any need additional information is needed.

Sincerely,

Wanda H. Carter  
Deputy Chief Appellate Defender

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cc: William M. Blich, Jr.

**White, Della**

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**From:** Johnson, Penny <pjohnson@sccourts.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 4, 2022 12:24 PM  
**To:** White, Della  
**Subject:** [External] Re: The State v. Rebecca Maxwell2021-GS-06-00171

Yes, I will get that done for you. I can use this email as a request.

Have a great weekend!!

*Penny M. Johnson  
Court Reporter III  
2nd Judicial Circuit*

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**From:** White, Della <dwhite@sccid.sc.gov>  
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The hearing was before Judge Jefferson on January 31, 2022, in Barnwell County.

Thank you,

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**From:** White, Della  
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My apologies. The hearing was before Judge Jefferson.

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**From:** White, Della  
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**To:** pjohnson@sccourts.org  
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Good morning,

Our office is trying to locate a sealed transcript for the above case. The hearing was before Judge McLeod on January 22, 2022, in Barnwell County. Were you the court reporter?

If so, can I request a copy of the transcript? I can submit a formal request if you were the court reporter.

Please let me know at your convenience.

Thank you,

Della White  
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