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The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
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VIA EMAIL ONLY

Re: The State v. Mack Adams Gaines
Appellate Case No. 2022-000567

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

On May 2, 2023, I filed an Anders brief on behalf of Appellant, Mack Adams Gaines. A copy of the brief was mailed to Mr. Gaines at Kirkland Correctional Institution. On May 3, 2023, this Court mailed a letter to Appellant at Kirkland notifying him that he may, within 45 days, file a *pro se* brief. I learned that Appellant is not at Kirkland and has been hospitalized since April 19, 2023. I understand that Appellant is unable to receive mail. I would respectfully request that if Appellant is released from the hospital, returned to Kirkland and wishes to file a *pro se* brief, that this Court would allow him to file that brief out of time. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kathrine H. Hudgins".

Kathrine H. Hudgins
Appellate Defender

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Cc: William M. Blich, Jr., Senior Assistant Deputy Attorney General