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The Honorable Jenny Kitchings  
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals  
Post Office Box 11629  
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Re: The State v. Jabyron Richardson  
Appellate Case No. 2022-001220

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

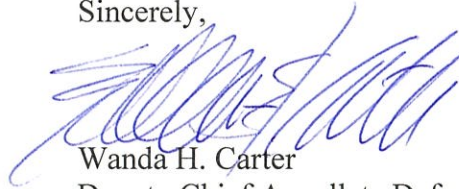
This is an update on the status of the search for a missing transcript in the above titled case. Presently, this case is being held in abeyance pending receipt of a record on a pre-trial hearing that is missing from the file. The existence of the pre-trial hearing was discovered per the excerpt below found at page 99 of the trial transcript:

"All he's attempting to do is bring out a CI in a case that is not the one that we're on today...I think all of the cases are very, very clear and the ruling of Judge McCoy at our last hearing where she denied your motion to have the---the defendant's motion to have the CI disclosed...

I contacted defense counsel Charles Barr on two occasions in the matter, and he responded twice that he did not recall a pre-trial hearing in this case. In addition, I contacted Solicitor K. Elizabeth Smith, who advised that the motion to reveal the identity of the confidential informant was denied. Presently, I am communicating with Assistant Attorney General William Blich, who is actively assisting me in researching and locating the information needed to obtain the transcript in order to perfect the appeal.

Therefore, please note that a transcript request for the missing record in question will be submitted upon receipt of proper documentation.

Sincerely,



Wanda H. Carter  
Deputy Chief Appellate Defender

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cc: William M. Blich, Jr., Esquire