

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Appellate Court

APPEAL FROM GREENVILLE COUNTY
Court of General Sessions

G.D. Morgan Jr., Circuit Court Judge

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Case No(s): 2023-001896

The State,

Respondent.

v.

Teri P. Clapp,

Appellant.

EXPLANATION OF APPEAL

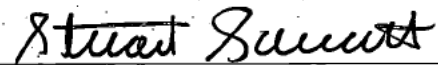
Teri P. Clapp appeals her conviction and sentence in this case. The sentence was imposed by the Honorable G.D. Morgan Jr. on November 28, 2023.

Defendant would show that her guilty plea was defective or that his sentence was unreasonable. Defendant raised no objections at the time of the guilty plea. Undersigned counsel is aware of no reasons for overturning the plea or the sentence, however defendant has communicated to counsel that she desires an appeal.

Counsel is filing this appeal pursuant to his ethical duty to his client, and Defendant's constitutional right to appeal. *Frazer v. South Carolina*, 430 F.3d 696, 706 (4th Cir. 2005) ("A Defendant has the right to pursue a direct appeal, even if frivolous, which counsel must assist as 'an active advocate in behalf of his client.'")

As defendant is incarcerated in the State Department of Corrections, she would ask the court to give her leave to file out of time due to difficulty in communication with counsel.

Date: December 27, 2023



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