

Honorable Catherine Harrison March 11, 2024  
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Proverbs 27:17 = ("As iron sharpens iron. So  
a man sharpens the countenance of his  
friend!")

"Greetings from Michael E. Thompson Sr.  
Who truly prays, and hopes that this letter  
finds "Everyone" and "Everything", doing truly  
great. He also truly prays, and hopes that "All  
things" get even better for "Everyone", and  
"Everything" in the very near future."

Please find enclosed with this letter,  
letters written by Michael, and Attorney, Esquire  
Mr. Charles Anderson.

Unfortunately Michael is currently in  
the Dept. of Corr. He has limited stationery.  
Please excuse his penmanship. He is not an  
Attorney, and does not claim to know, and under-  
stand the LAW. He is having to learn.

Since October 2022, Michael has tried on numerous occasions, to resolve the "Conflict of Interests, That is between Attorney Mr. Charles Anderson and himself."

When the letter that Michael wrote. Did not "Remove" Mr. Anderson from representing Michael. "A Motion to remove Counsel was not granted."

During the time that the "Motion of Discovery" was being gotten, there was a "Related" Accusation that got "Dismissed." "It is related to the Accusations he is appealing."

Why would it be dismissed if it is related? On several occasions Michael tried to have shown to him the entire evidence available. He was only shown certain things.

Michael is "NOT" (writing) saying, Mr. C. Anderson is a bad person. He is only stating that there is some conflict of interest. That prevents him from fully representing Michael against these accusations.

As Michael has presented. He has tried to work through those "Conflict of Interest" just before the "Court" hearing of January 31, 2024. Michael informed Attorney Charles Anderson that he wanted to "Exercise" his legal right to withdraw his "Agreed" upon plea, and "VIEW" all of the "Evidence" available to respectfully

view "All of the evidence available, NY 5 of 4  
before he "Accepted" any "PLEA", or before he  
plead "NOT Guilty."

Mr. Anderson got very upset, and started  
"Yelling" "You are making a big Mistake"

Mr. Anderson walked away very upset, and there  
was no time for either one to explain anything.

When Michael went before the Judge the  
same day, Michael thought it was to withdraw  
his plea. At least until he has viewed all of the  
"Evidence" available.

As mentioned, it was a "PLEA" that was agreed  
upon by all parties. Prosecutor, Plaintiff, and the  
Defendant.

NY State VS Santabello 92.5 Ct. 495

"When a PLEA rest on a promise or agreement  
of the Prosecutor, so that can be said to be part  
of the Inducement, or Consideration; Such promise  
must be fulfilled.

St. VS Wilke 882 N.W.2d 871 (2016)

St. VS Smith 558 N.W.2d 379 (1997)

St. VS. Henderson 99. Wn. App. 369 (2000)

Mr. Anderson has evidently spoke with others  
of this case, more times than he has spoken to  
his client. Nothing has been explained. At least  
not to Michael.

Mr. Anderson has mention Michael's lengthy record. He failed to mention that his record was Misdemeanor Charges, and some of those charges was "Dismissed" and "time served" P.D.C.

With the "Conflicts of Interest" Michael has been told by Mr. Anderson. "It would be in (Michael's) best interest to keep him as his attorney."

Michael "Spoke" to his representative Mr. Anderson for a short moment. Letting him know. He WANTED to withdraw his plea.

Mr. Anderson says there is no "meritorious" issues to be reviewed in this appeal. Michael exercised his legal right when he wanted to withdraw his plea.

Michael would like to file a motion to remove "Appointed" Counsel Mr. Charles Anderson from representing Michael. The "Conflict" of "Interests" are preventing Mr. Anderson from representing Michael on these accusations.

Thanks very much from Michael E. Thompson SR who asks "US" here, to guide him as he addresses the Court of Appeals. He requests Legal Defense Representation.

Sincerely  
Michael E. Thompson SR

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Anderson, S.C. 29604

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C. Rena Thomason  
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Michael E. Thompson Sr. wants  
to withdraw the guilty plea  
that was made on January  
31st, 2024.

As it is known, Michael was  
willing to accept the guilty  
plea under certain circumstances.  
Those circumstances was  
not given.

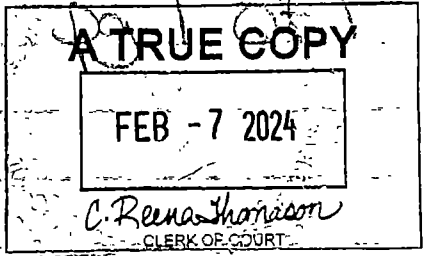
Therefore, he would like to  
withdraw the plea, and go to  
trial.

Thanks for the help on getting  
this accomplished.

Michael E. Thompson Sr.

2024

January 31



Michael E. Thompson SR  
1009 David Lee Coffee Walk  
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10<sup>th</sup> Circuit Public Defender  
-to Clerk of Court Mrs. Renee Thomason  
100 S Main St.  
Anderson, S.C. 29625

On January 31st Michael E. Thompson SR  
had signed a Plea agreement in exchange  
for a guilty Plea.

When the Plea went before the Judge  
It was not the Sentence stated in the Plea  
agreement.

Michael is writing this withdrawal  
letter. Officially stating to his legal  
defense that he wants to withdraw  
the guilty plea, and go to trial. The agree-  
ment has been renigged there fore, Michael  
is requesting to his legal defense to file  
an appeal, Post Conviction, Release order.  
He wants to withdraw his plea, and asking  
the attorney to file the said motions  
for an appeal, and a post conviction order.

Sincerely  
Michael E. Thompson SR



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February 15, 2024

Honorable Catherine S. Harrison  
Chief Deputy Clerk  
The South Carolina Court of Appeals  
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RE: The State v. Michael E. Thompson, Sr.  
Appellate Case No. 2024-000181

Dear Ms. Harrison:

Please accept this letter as my response to your deficiency letter dated February 12, 2024, as to the information required pursuant to the South Carolina Appellate Court Rule 203(d)(1)(B)(iv) for an appeal of a guilty plea.

For background, Mr. Thompson entered a guilty plea in the Anderson County Court of General Sessions on January 31, 2024, before the Hon. Brian M. Gibbons. Mr. Thompson was originally indicted for Assault & Battery of a High and Aggravated Nature and Resisting Arrest and was on the trial docket for the following week. After several discussions with the Solicitor, an offer was made to Mr. Thompson to reduce the ABHAN charge to Assault & Battery 1<sup>st</sup> Degree with a recommendation to the Court for a sentence of 10 years suspended to the service of 4 years followed by 5 years of probation to include inpatient rehab, anger management and mental health counseling with credit for the time already served. The victim on the case was present and informed of this plea offer and was in agreement with the same.

After hearing the facts of the case, hearing from the victim and being informed of Mr. Thompson's lengthy record, Judge Gibbons declined to follow the recommendation and sentenced Mr. Thompson to the maximum of 10 years on the Assault & Battery 1<sup>st</sup> Degree and a concurrent 1 year on the Resisting Arrest with credit for the time already served.

Understandably, Mr. Thompson was upset with the outcome and the fact Judge Gibbons did not follow the recommendation. It was explained to Mr. Thompson, both by me before the plea and by Judge Gibbons on the record, that the offer was just a recommendation to the Court

was any legal ground to file. However, Mr. Thompson insisted I file an appeal which I did on his behalf.

Therefore, pursuant to the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules and as an officer of the Court, I do not believe there are any meritorious issues to be reviewed as to this appeal. This appeal was filed at the direction of my client which I believe I was required to do as an exercise of his legal right to an appeal.

If there is any further information required, please let me know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'CL Anderson', written in a cursive style.

Charles L. Anderson

CLA/ca

cc: Alan McCrory Wilson, Esquire  
Mark Reynolds Farthing, Esquire  
Catherine Townsend Huey, Esquire  
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