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August 15, 2013

The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
Clerk, S.C. Court of Appeals
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SC Court of Appeals

Re: State v. Ahmad Jamal Wilkins, Appellate Case No. 2012-212387

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

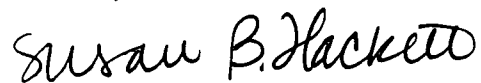
Please accept this letter as a follow-up to my letter of August 12, 2013. I received the Court's response dated August 13, 2013, and I thank you. The Public Defender's Office was unable to find anything in the file indicating the date of the hearing. I never received a return call from the Solicitor's Office. A review of the Clerk of Court's file was not helpful in determining the date of the hearing.

However, I spoke to trial counsel, Brian Shealey, by phone while he was on vacation. During that call, Mr. Shealey advised me that he requested funding concerning the DNA tests that were the subject of the hearing for which I need a transcript. In light of the funding request, I contacted the Commission on Indigent Defense to review the ex parte funding orders. I found three orders for funding for DNA tests signed by Judge G. Thomas Cooper. Those orders were dated February 16, 2012, March 16, 2012, and April 4, 2012. The orders are ex parte; therefore, I am not providing copies to the Court.

I have ordered transcripts from those three days. Copies of our transcript requests are attached. I will advise the Court immediately upon my receipt of the transcripts. I am copying opposing counsel on this letter to advise him of the status of the appeal as well.

I ask that the time limits be held in abeyance continue to be held in abeyance pending receipt of the transcripts. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Susan B. Hackett". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "S" at the beginning.

Susan B. Hackett
Appellate Defender

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cc: Donald J. Zelenka
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Ms. Karen Ambroziak
Circuit Court Reporter
1083 Langford Road
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Dear Ms. Ambroziak:

Please provide us with the following transcript:

The State v. Ahmad Jamal Wilkins Case #: 11-GS-40-04656

County: Richland Date of Trial: March 16, 2012

Presiding Judge: G. Thomas Cooper

To ensure prompt payment, please sign and complete the enclosed CID FORM 3500 and include the original criminal case number (Indictment number) where the space is provided.

Please number the lines on the paper from 1-25, and include any and all recorded motions, pre and post-trial. Additionally, please transcribe the jury selection, and the State and defense counsel's opening and closing arguments, and include the jury strike sheet. **Please be sure to include Headers and a listing of exhibits.**

If you are aware of any co-defendants or if the Attorney General's Office has already requested a transcript, please let us know.

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Presiding Judge: G. Thomas Cooper

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