

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

INDICTMENT #: 2023 GS 02 00754

vs.

MARK GEHRIG MCLAURIN

DEFENDANT

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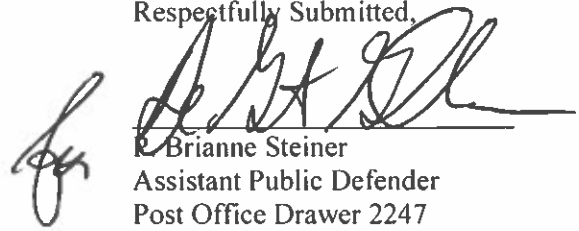
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RULE 203(B) EXPLANATION

Pursuant to Rule 203(B)(iv), the undersigned asserts that he does not have a good faith basis to believe that any issues are properly before the Court of Appeals, and the undersigned did not object to the sentence or file a motion to reconsider the sentence. The Defendant then did make contact with an attorney in the Public Defender’s Office telling him that he wanted an appeal filed on his case. The undersigned has filed the instant appeal at the request of the Appellant because the Sixth Amendment requires counsel to follow the Appellant’s request. See *Frazier v. South Carolina*, 430 F.3d 696, 706 (4th Cir.2005) (“A defendant has a right to pursue a direct appeal, even if frivolous, which counsel must assist as ‘an active advocate on behalf of his client.’”) (quoting *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738, 744 (1967)).

Respectfully Submitted,



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