

Dear: South Carolina Court of Appeals

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SC Court of Appeals

I Jonathan William Noe am writing you this letter to provide a basis for appeal. I am not a lawyer and don't know much about this process and have not been able to even visit a law library even once to reference this. However I will try to establish a basis for appeal based on the facts that at the time of my hearing I was under extreme duress, fearing for my life, under the influence of drugs/medications, and the fact that the judge in my case had already made up her mind before ever hearing anything I had to say at the hearing.

Nicholas Shaw a fellow inmate in Aiken County Detention Center a member of a gang called the Bloods threatened to kill me and his friend Christopher Parker threw his urine on me and threatened to kill me if I came out of my cell. I made a report about Mr. Parker, even writing a statement expressing my fear and desire to press charges, but nothing was done. Nick Shaw had

already been in several fights and even attacked an ^{PO} officer with a weapon then proceeded to attack a group of officers. He showed me he was in possession of another steel weapon and threatened to kill me with it. I was fearing for my life so I began taking Rimrons, Lithium, and Depacote, that weren't being prescribed to me and on top of this I had been on lock down for 18 months 23 hours a day in my cell and 1 hour of Recreation time with no visitation and a diminishing outside support system, suffering from diagnosed PTSD and depression. In my scared and drug altered state, fearing for my life, depressed, and suffering from PTSD I suggested going in front of a judge in a hearing instead of a trial and my lawyer assured me that if we did the judge would listen to what I had to say and what the victims said and make a decision based on what happened in court that day. The judge was clearly not listening when my lawyer read what he had written about me or when I spoke then in open court the judge clearly stated that she had made up her mind yesterday about what

She was gonna do, which proves she didn't listen to anything I had to say and her decision was not based on what happened in court or anything that was presented in court. I have been clear headed here in Kirkland R¹E not under the influence of drugs and not fearing for my life and now that I'm no longer in an altered state I would like to request an appeal and withdraw my guilty plea and I would like to appeal the sentence of forty-five years in prison that I was sentenced to. Now that I feel safe and am not under duress and since I'm no longer under the influence of mind altering drugs like Lithium, Rimons, and Depacote that I was abusing at the time I appeared before the judge in the hearing in the Aiken county courthouse. I can clearly say that I would have never plead guilty to these charges had I not been under extreme duress, the influence of drugs, or if I had known that the judge had

already judged and sentenced me before^{PG}
even hearing me at the hearing, which
she openly stated in court. My lawyer had
assured me that the judge would hear
what I had to say and the victims had to
say and make a ruling based on what took
place during the hearing, but that's clearly
not what happened. Please I implore you to
grant me this appeal and allow me an
opportunity to exercise my right to go to trial. Had I

not been under extreme duress, fearing for my life
and under the influence of altering drugs I would've
never given up those rights, because of my altered
condition I shouldn't have been able to waive those
rights. Please give me a chance to present my case
at trial, call witnesses, cross examine witness
testimony, and a chance to make sure my side
of this is actually heard by a judge and jury that
hasn't already made up their mind before even
hearing one word that I have to say. Please let
our judicial system work and grant this appeal

for me, my kids, my family, justice, and
the judicial system.

Thank-You Sincerely, Jonathan W. Noe
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