

The Supreme Court of South Carolina

The State, Respondent,

v.

Ashley N. Hepburn, Appellant.

Appellate Case No. 2011-190695

Trial Court Case No. 2010-GS-30-01773

ORDER

By opinion dated December 11, 2013, this Court reversed appellant's conviction for homicide by child abuse finding that a directed verdict should have been granted by the circuit court. *State v. Hepburn*, Op. No. 27336 (S.C. Sup. Ct. filed December 11, 2013) (Shearouse Adv. Sh. No. 52 at 17).

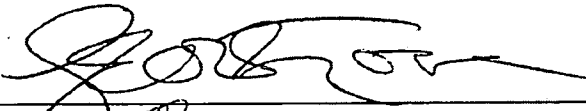
Appellant now asks this Court to stay the sentence and release her on bond. The State, while indicating that it has not decided whether to file a petition for rehearing and that one of the victim's relatives opposes the granting of bail, does not oppose the request.

Pursuant to Rule 246(a), of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules, the appellant shall be released from custody pending a final disposition of this appeal upon the following conditions:


- (1) Appellant will surrender to the Sheriff of Laurens County if this Court ultimately affirms her conviction or remands for a new trial or other proceedings before the circuit court;
- (2) Appellant will comply with all orders issued by this Court;

- (3) Appellant will not depart the State of South Carolina without the permission of this Court; and,
- (4) Appellant will be of good behavior.

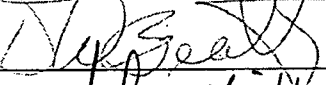
Further, appellant shall not be released until appellant and a good and sufficient surety have signed a recognizance in the amount of \$10,000, witnessed by the judge of the circuit court, which shall be forfeited to the State upon the failure of appellant to comply with the terms of this order. The form of the bond and the surety thereon shall be approved by a circuit court judge. The recognizance shall be filed with the clerk of court of Laurens County. Deposit of ten percent cash in lieu of bond pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §17-15-15 shall be permitted.




C.J.




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Columbia, South Carolina
December 16, 2013

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The Honorable Lynn W. Lancaster