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South Carolina Office of Court Administration
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(By email only: transcripts@sccourts.org)

**RE: State vs. Andreana Shanice Ware
Appellate Case No. 2026-001001**

Dear Ms. Smith:

I received your letter today regarding the transcript that I ordered on behalf of Ms. Ware. I did so to perfect her appeal and provide the opportunity for appellate counsel to review any issues that may be found in said document. When I “ordered” the transcript and filed the Notice of Appeal, I also sent the attached letter to the Chief Appellate Defender. (Letter to Appellate Defense). In it, I explained to Ms. Carter that I never received money from Ms. Ware. The only reason I was retained was because of her brother’s dogged determination to pay me. Ms. Ware had no money; and I asked Ms. Carter to make a determination of indigency so that appellate defense could take the case and pay for the transcript. Our Motion for New Trial was denied following Ms. Ware’s transport to Columbia preventing me from seeing her for the execution of the indigency form.

If you should have any questions or requests, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

With highest regards, I remain
Very truly yours,

s/Donald L. Smith

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Enclosures

cc: Honorable R. Scott Sprouse, Circuit Court Judge, Tenth Judicial Circuit
Honorable R. Lawton McInstosh, Circuit Court Judge, Tenth Judicial Circuit
Ms. Wanda H. Carter, Esquire, Chief Appellate Defender, South Carolina Commission
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Mr. Alan McCrory Wilson, Esquire, South Carolina Attorney General
The Honorable Reena Thomason, Clerk of Court for Anderson County

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April 20, 2026

Honorable Wanda H. Carter
Chief Appellate Defender
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RE: State vs. Andreana Shanice Ware
Indictment#: 2024GS0401710

Dear Ms. Carter:

On behalf of Andreana Shanice Ware, I hereby respectfully request that the Office of Appellate Defense make a determination as to her indigency status so as to let her know whether you will be able to litigate the appeal I have perfected on her behalf. Please note that Ms. Ware was represented by the Public Defender for the beginning of her incarceration until her brother hired me. I know that he and her family pooled whatever monies they had to pay for myself and Dr. Lockard who testified on her behalf. I filed an unsuccessful Motion for New Trial the denial of which was issued beyond the time she was in the Anderson County Detention Center.

If you should have any questions or requests, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

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