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RE: Joe Perry and Osteen Publishing Company, Inc. v. Harvin Bullock
Case. No. 2012-212669
C. A. No. 2011-CP-43-0979
Our File No. 8440.15

Dear Ms. Sullivan:

You were the court reporter for Judge Clifton Newman when a hearing was held on April 2, 2012 in Sumter in the above-referenced action. I had not ordered a transcript of the hearing as the only evidentiary matters were presented by way of Affidavit and there was no testimony. The Supreme Court has ordered me to order and pay for a copy of the transcript of that hearing, including portions of the hearing conducted in camera in my absence should there have been an in camera discussion. I have enclosed a copy of the Supreme Court's order for your reference. The court has directed Court Administration to expedite the production of this transcript as oral argument is scheduled before the Supreme Court on Wednesday.

I guarantee payment for the production of this transcript and will forward a deposit to you should that be necessary prior to producing the transcript.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best regards,

Yours very truly,

Jay Bender

Cc: Ms. Debbie Hopkins (via email)
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The Supreme Court of South Carolina

Joe Perry and Osteen Publishing Co., Inc., Appellants,

v.

Harvin Bullock, in his capacity as Sumter County
Coroner, Respondent.

Appellate Case No. 2012-212669

ORDER

In its designation of matter, appellants proposed to include "under seal the records of the autopsy of Arron Jacobs." Despite this designation, this Court can find no record that these records have been filed in this appeal.

Since these documents should be in the possession of the respondent, respondent's counsel shall immediately provide this Court with a copy of these records. Unless otherwise directed by later order of this Court, these documents shall remain under seal.

Further, pursuant to Rule 212(a) of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules (SCACR), this Court directs that it be immediately provided with a copy of transcript of the hearing giving rise to the order under appeal. If this transcript has not been ordered, appellant shall immediately order and pay for that transcript, and the Office of Court Administration shall insure that the transcript is prepared in an expedited manner. If portions of this hearing were conducted in camera without the presence of appellants' counsel, the court reporter shall provide those portions of the transcript to this Court under seal.


C.J.
FOR THE COURT

Columbia, South Carolina
February 3, 2014

cc: Jerry Jay Bender, Esquire
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