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The Honorable Kenneth A Richstad
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Case No. 2005-GS-42-3629
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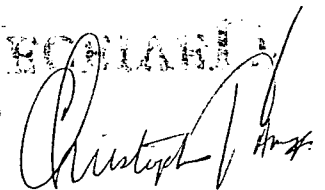
Re: Christopher Hampton v. State

Dear Mr. Richstad;

I recently mailed you a copy of my latest notice of appeal package; I do not mean to trouble you with my case dilemma's, however, I am in need of a helping hand. In April 2006, I, at the advice of my Public defender pled guilty to a homicide that I had previously involuntarily confessed to. I received a Life Sentence. I was not informed by the Court of my right to appeal my guilty plea. Neither did my Counsel inform me of the right to appeal the plea. I was not aware that I could appeal the outcome. I have been unsuccessfully fighting for relief since my conviction and my PCR counsel failed to file the belated direct appeal that I had been granted and he also failed to appeal the denial and dismissal of my PCR. I am in no way bringing on the 'Sob' story, but at the time of my crime, I had a good job and a newborn daughter. I was a productive and law abiding citizen and the homicide just in a split second happened. It wasn't murder. I perhaps could have proved it at trial. But that is not the reason for my contacting you; this is: I recently read a couple of cases where the appeals court reversed and vacated sentences where the court failed to inform defendant of right to appeal guilty plea, as required by rule 32 of the Federal Rules of Criminal procedure. I know nothing of the law books and don't have a lawyer to help me get relief from this error of the court. I am not attempting to use the court's error as an excuse for resentencing, I just feel that perhaps this revelation was God's will and my prayers have been answered. It is my prayer now that you, with respect to S.C. Law concerning this matter of the court's error in not informing defendants of right to appeal their plea, point me in the right direction, or help me get my sentence vacated and remanded for this matter.

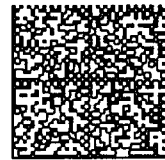
With utmost respect...


Very Sincerely,

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