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SC Court of Appeals

The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
Clerk, S.C. Court of Appeals
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Re: State v. Gregory V. Smith – Appellate Case No. 2012-213666

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

I am writing to inform the Court of my understanding of Mr. Smith's recent filing. Based on our communications, I understand he was working on his pro se brief and intended to file it in a timely fashion. However, officers at his correctional facility recently took possession of his legal papers, and he hopes to have them returned soon. Accordingly, Mr. Smith respectfully wishes for the Court to grant him an extension of time to file his pro se brief. I believe these were the circumstances he was attempting to communicate in his latest filing.

Sincerely,

Benjamin John Tripp
Appellate Defender

cc: Gregory Smith