

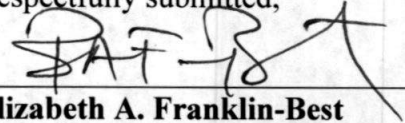
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

William Jamell Thomas, )  
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 Appellant, )  
 )  
 vs. )  
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 The State of South Carolina, )  
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 Appellee. )  
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**MOTION TO UNSEAL  
COURT EXHIBIT**

Counsel for the Appellant, William Jamell Thomas, respectfully moves this Court for an order unsealing Court's Exhibit #1 which appears to be a copy of the competency evaluation performed by Dr. Richard Frierson prior to Thomas's trial for attempted murder. The Honorable Craig Brown sealed the exhibit, and counsel has confirmed with the Florence County Clerk of Court that the report is currently sealed. Counsel believes that the contents of this exhibit are relevant to issues appellant wishes to advance in his appeal. SCAR, Rule 240.

Respectfully submitted,



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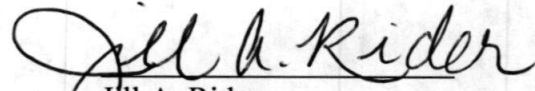
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the Appellant's Motion to Unseal Court Exhibit was served by first class United States mail, postage prepaid, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2014, upon the following:

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**Re:** *William Jamell Thomas v. The State of South Carolina*

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Please find enclosed for filing, with certificate of service, the original and seven copies of Appellant's Motion to Unseal Court Exhibit. Please clock-in the extra copy and return it to me in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope.

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure

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