

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM ORANGEBURG COUNTY
The Honorable Edgar W. Dickson, Circuit Court Judge

Case No: 2014GS38-0441

The State Respondent

vs.

Melody Turner Oakley Appellant

EXPLANATION OF APPEAL
PURSUANT TO RULE 203(D)(1)(b)(iv)

Appellant Melody Turner Oakley pled guilty to voluntary manslaughter and criminal conspiracy before the Honorable Edgar W. Dickson on July 15, 2014. Immediately after, Judge Dickson imposed the following sentences as recommended by the State: thirty (30) years for voluntary manslaughter; and five (5) years for criminal conspiracy.

Appellant is dissatisfied with the sentence imposed by the plea court, and specifically instructed counsel to appeal. Accordingly, undersigned counsel files this appeal at the request of Appellant, and pursuant to State v. Thrift, 378 S.C. 70, 661 S.E.2d 373 (2008), Weathers v. White, 319 S.C. 59, 459 S.E.2d 838 (1995), and In re Anonymous Member of the Bar, 303 S.C. 306, 400 S.E.2d 483 (1991). Counsel knows of no issue that can be reviewed on appeal.

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