

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In The Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM PICKENS COUNTY
Court of General Sessions

G. Edward Welmaker, Circuit Court Judge

Case No. 2011-GS-39- 02047

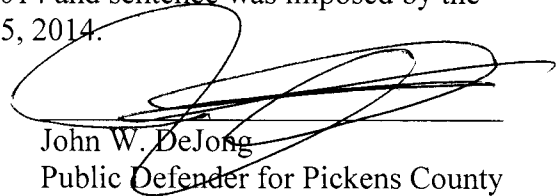
The StateRespondent,
v.

Demossio Montae Valentine,.....Appellant.

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Demossio Montae Valentine appeals his conviction and sentence in this case. The Appellant was convicted on September 15, 2014 and sentence was imposed by the Honorable G. Edward Welmaker on September 15, 2014.

September 17, 2014



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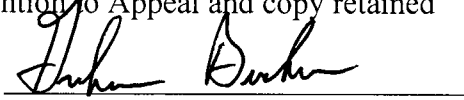
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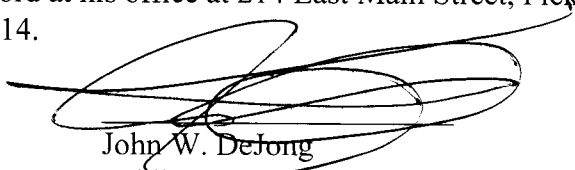
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PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served the Notice of Appeal on Graham by personally delivering a copy of it to Graham Buckner counsel of record at his office at 214 East Main Street, Pickens, South Carolina 29671, on September 17, 2014.

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The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
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RE: State vs. Demossio Montae Valentine
Indictment No. 2011-GS-39- 02047

Dear Ms Kitchings:

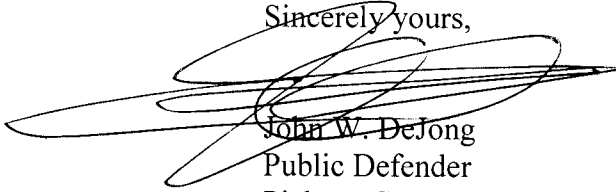
Enclosed for filing are the following:

1. Two(2) originals of Notice of Appeal with original Proof of Service attached to each Notice of Appeal along with Proof of Service.
2. Redacted copies of the sentencing sheets.
3. With regard to this appeal I would advise the Court that this is an appeal from a Guilty Pleas that was entered before the Honorable G. Edward Welmaker on September 15, 2014. The case was set for trial that date. After several hours of negotiations between the defendant and the State, the defendant entered his guilty plea without recommendation by the State. The defendant/appellant was sentenced to 189 months in the South Carolina Department of Corrections. The defendant/appellant demanded that an appeal be filed in his behalf in this matter. As an officer of the Court, I do not believe that there are any meritorious issues to be reviewed on appeal. Mr. Valentine believes that he has a legal right to appeal his conviction and I am doing so at his instruction. Please accept this as my compliance with Appellate Court Rule 203 (d) (1) (B) (iv).

Please return to me a clocked copy of the Notice of Intent to Appeal in the self-addressed stamped envelope enclosed for that purpose.

Thanking you in advance for your kind attention to this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,



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Enclosures

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