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Mr. Joseph Christopher Walker, #285497  
Perry Correctional Institution  
430 Oaklawn Road  
Pelzer, SC 296669

Re: Joseph Walker v. State  
Appellate Case No. 2014-002187  
Lower Court Case No. 2014CP2303382

Dear Mr. Walker:

This Court has received your notice of appeal, and the case has been assigned the appellate case number that appears above. Please use this number on all future correspondence relating to this matter.

All parties to this matter are advised that all filings must comply with the requirements of Rule 267 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules (SCACR). The SCACR are available online at [www.sccourts.org/courtreg](http://www.sccourts.org/courtreg). Additionally, any filings submitted by counsel admitted in South Carolina must include counsel's bar number.

The attention of the parties is directed to the order relating to the inclusion of personal data identifiers and other sensitive information in documents filed with the Supreme Court of South Carolina and the South Carolina Court of Appeals. The order can be found at [www.sccourts.org/courtOrders/HTMLFiles/2007-08-13-02.htm](http://www.sccourts.org/courtOrders/HTMLFiles/2007-08-13-02.htm). Please note that the responsibility for insuring that information is redacted

or sealed as required by this order rests with counsel and the parties. This office will *not* review filings for redaction or to determine if materials should be sealed.

An appeal from the criminal case involved in this post-conviction relief case is currently pending before the South Carolina Court of Appeals.<sup>1</sup> Since Rule 71.1(b) of the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure states "[a]n application for post-conviction relief cannot be made while an appeal from the conviction or sentence is pending or during the time in which an appeal may be perfected," I ask you to please explain why this Court should not dismiss your notice of appeal since this post-conviction relief action appears to be completely premature. This explanation should be provided within ten (10) days of the date of this letter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be a stylized name, possibly "D. R. S.", written over a horizontal line.

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cc: Karen Christine Ratigan, Esquire

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<sup>1</sup> Appellate Case No. 2013-000766.