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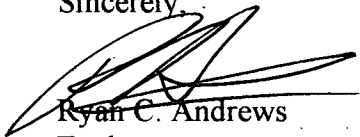
Re: *The State v. Michael L. Mealor*  
*Case No.: 2013-002752*

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

I represent Michael Mealor in the above criminal appeal of his conviction and sentence. The trial transcript reveals multiple "undiscernible" portions of testimony and rulings. I filed a motion to reconstruct the record recently. However, since then I have reached out to the court reporters involved with the transcription of this trial. A copy of such correspondence to the reporters is enclosed herewith. I am waiting to hear from them regarding the missing pieces of the trial transcript in order to see if we need to move forward with a formal attempt to reconstruct the record. Therefore, I am respectfully requesting that this Court holds this appeal and my motion to reconstruct the record in abeyance until I hear from the court reporters concerning this matter.

Thank you very much and should you have any questions concerning the matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Ryan C. Andrews  
Enclosures

Cc: Michael L. Mealor (w/ Enclosures)  
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Re: *State of South Carolina v. Michael Mealor et al.*  
*Case No.: 2013-GS-39-3149*

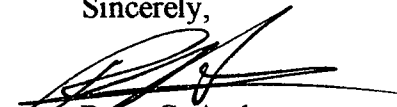
Dear Ms. Johnson:

I hope you are well. My name is Ryan Andrews and I represent Michael Mealor in the appeal of his conviction and sentencing regarding the above-named case number. It is my understanding that you were the court reporter that certified the trial transcript.

A review of the transcript reveals that a number of portions of the trial to be "undiscernible." Specifically, the testimony of prosecution witness Paul Forst as well as the closing arguments and jury charges contain multiple "undiscernible" portions "due to equipment malfunction." I was writing to inquire whether you or your office have any backup tapes or other recordings or means so that "undiscernible" portions of the transcript can be assembled. Please let me know at your earliest whether such reconstruction is available. I am also contacting April Herron regarding this as it is my understanding she was the court reporter for the trial.

Thank you very much and should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

  
Ryan C. Andrews

Cc: Michael L. Mealor  
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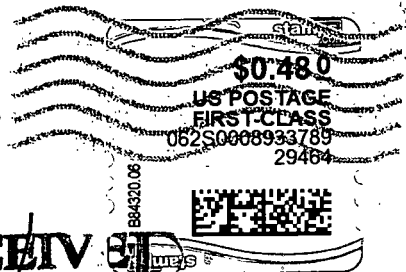
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