

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
APPEAL FROM AIKEN COUNTY  
In the Court of General Sessions  
The Honorable Doyet A. Early, III

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Case Number 2014-GS-02-01159  
Case Number 2014-GS-02-01160  
Case Number 2014-GS-02-01161

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA ..... RESPONDENT

VS.

DOMINIQUE ROSCELL JOHNSON..... APPELLANT

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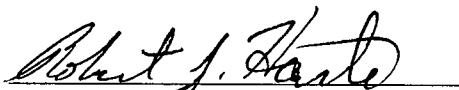
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I certify that I have served the Notice of Intent to Appeal on the above named Respondent by depositing a copy of same in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, on December 10, 2014, addressed to the attorney of record as follows:

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December 10, 2014.

  
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Dominique R. Johnson #00362300  
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Columbia, SC 29210

Dear Dominique:

As you requested after your guilty plea, I have filed a Notice of Intent to Appeal. It is my opinion that there are no grounds for an appeal in this case. As required by Court Rule in such cases I have filed a Rule 203(d)(1)(B)(iv) Explanation. A copy of the Explanation is attached to this letter.

You have twenty (20) days from the date of this letter to inform the Court of Appeals in writing of any arguable basis that there are issues preserved for appeal. The address for the Court of Appeals is:

South Carolina Court of Appeals  
P.O. Box 11629  
Columbia, SC 29211

Very truly yours,



Robert J. Harte  
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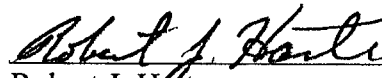
**RULE 203(d)(1)(B)(iv) EXPLANATION**

Pursuant to Rule 203(d)(1)(B)(iv), the undersigned asserts that he does not have a good faith basis to believe that any issues are properly before the Court of Appeals, and the undersigned did not object to the sentence.

The undersigned attorney consulted with the client and after consultation the client requested that an appeal be filed.

The undersigned has filed the instant appeal at the request of the Appellant because the Sixth Amendment requires counsel to follow the Appellant's request. *See Frazer v. South Carolina*, 430 F.3d 696, 706 (4<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2005) ("A defendant has a right to pursue a direct appeal, even if frivolous, which counsel must assist as 'an active advocate on behalf of his client.'") (quoting *Anders v California*, 386 U.S. 738, 744 (1967)).

Respectfully submitted,



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