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**SC Court of Appeals**

RE: State v. Gervais Edmonds

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

I represent Mr. Edmonds in the appeal of his trial in absence for failure to stop for a blue light, 2009-GS-46-396, held before Judge John Hayes in November of 2009. It appears you represented Mr. Edmonds at trial and filed the notice of intent to appeal. In your notice you list the conviction date as November 4, 2009. We requested and received the transcript from November 4, 2009, and it begins with closing arguments at 9:15 AM. Phyllis Barrett was the court reporter. I assumed the trial was held the day before on November 3, 2009, and requested the transcript from November 3, 2009. The court reporter listed on the Court Administration list for November 3, 2009, with Judge John Hayes is Janet Rich. I understand that Ms. Rich retired and Wanda Nelson maintains Ms. Rich's tapes. Ms. Nelson advises us that she does not have a tape of Gervais Edmonds' trial on November 3, 2009.

Would you please check your file and determine the date on which Mr. Edmonds' trial started so that I can request the transcript. I e-mailed you in regard to this matter in June and again in July but did not receive a response. I appreciate your assistance in this regard. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Kathrine H. Hudgins  
Appellate Defender

cc: S.C. Court of Appeals  
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