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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
In the Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM SPARTANBURG COUNTY  
Court of General Sessions

Letitia H. Verdin, Circuit Court Judge

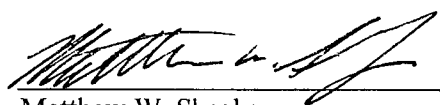
Case No(s): 2013-GS-42-04816, 2013-GS-42-04817, 2014-GS-42-03536, 2014-GS-42-03538,  
2014-GS-42-03539

The State ..... Respondent,  
v.  
Courtney Lamont Pauling ..... Appellant.  
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EXPLANATION OF APPEAL PURSUANT TO RULE 203(d)(1)(B), SCACR

Pursuant to Rule 203(d)(1)(B), SCACR, Courtney Lamont Pauling files this explanation of his appeal of his/her guilty plea, conviction and sentence in this case. The sentence was imposed by the Honorable Letitia H. Verdin on February 11, 2015. A timely motion to reconsider was filed on February 20, 2015 and denied by an order dated March 7, 2015. No issues were raised during the guilty plea; however, the client insisted upon an appeal; therefore, this appeal was filed pursuant to Weathers v. State, 319 S C. 59, 459 S E 2d 838 (1995), and State v. Thrift, 378 S C. 70, 661 S.E.2d 373 (2008).

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Courtney Lamont Pauling, SCDC #314748  
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Re: State v. Courtney Lamont Pauling  
Case No.: 2015-000573

Dear Mr. Pauling.

A Notice of Intent to Appeal was filed on your behalf on March 11, 2015. I am required by the Court of Appeals to advise the court of any issues that were raised during the guilty plea and preserved for appellate review. I have advised the court that I knew of no such issues. Enclosed, you will find a copy of the letter in which I made that advisement

Enclosed you will find a copy of the letter received from the South Carolina Court of Appeals. You have twenty (20) days from the date of my letter to inform The South Carolina Court of Appeals in writing explaining why you believe you have arguable basis that there are issues preserved for an appeal of your guilty plea. You must send your letter to the following address by April 13, 2015

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

Failure to send the court your written explanation, by the above deadline, may result in the dismissal of your appeal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Matthew W. Shealy".

Matthew W. Shealy  
Assistant Public Defender

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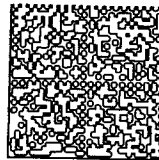
cc Jenny Abbot Kitchings, Clerk of the Court of Appeals

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