

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
)
COUNTY OF GREENVILLE)

THE STATE,)
)
Respondent,)
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v.)
)
MARTHA ELIZABETH HALE)
)
Appellant.)
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IN THE SOUTH CAROLINA COURT OF APPEALS

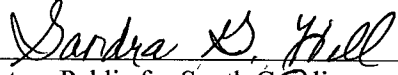
AFFIDAVIT

PERSONALLY appeared before me, Martha Elizabeth Hale, who being duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. I am the appellant in the above captioned case.
2. I understand that I am entitled to an appeal of my conviction, and that, because I am indigent, I am entitled to the assistance of an attorney from the South Carolina Office of Appellate Defense I have been informed that if I drop my direct appeal that I forever waive those issues that could be raised
3. In light of the risks which have been explained to me, it is my desire that the South Carolina Office of Appellate Defense drop the appeal formerly filed on my behalf.
4. I have made this decision on my own, with a full understanding of all the possible consequences of this action.
5. I do not wish to appeal.


Martha Elizabeth Hale

SWORN TO before me this 23rd
day of March, 2015.

 (L.S.)
Notary Public for South Carolina
My Commission Expires: Jan. 4, 2023

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March 26, 2015

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The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
Clerk of the S.C. Court of Appeals
P.O. Box 11629
Columbia, S.C. 29211

Re: The State v. Martha Elizabeth Hale
Appellate Case No. 2012-213693

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Ms. Hale has decided to drop her appeal, as evidenced by the enclosed affidavit. I advised her of the rights she would be waiving by dropping her appeal and she still wants to drop her direct appeal against my legal advice.

I respectfully request that the enclosed Affidavit be filed with the Court and an Order Dismissing Appeal be issued. By copy of this letter, I am informing Mark R. Farthing, Esquire of my client's decision.

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Robert M. Dudek
Chief Appellate Defender

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cc: Mark R. Farthing, Esquire (w/enclosure)

Enclosure