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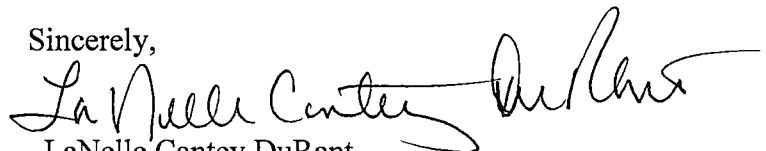
The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals
P.O. Box 11629
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RE: State v. Esaiveus Booker Appellate Case No. 2013-000207
State v. Michael Antonio Williams Appellate Case No. 2013-000091
State v. Raymond Lewis Young Appellate Case No. 2013-000149

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Pursuant to this Court's order dated October 28, 2014, requesting an update in regard to the status of the above cases, please be advised that all three appellants are still waiting on the court reporter to provide a copy of the transcript of the closing arguments. The court reporter initially stated that she did not have the tapes from the closing arguments from which to prepare a transcript. As a result, all three appellants moved for a reconstruction hearing and this Court granted the motions. On January 5, 2015, the court reporter notified us that she was now able to produce the tapes from the closing arguments and would provide the transcript. We are still waiting on the transcript. Counsel will provide the Court with an additional update in thirty days.

Sincerely,


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