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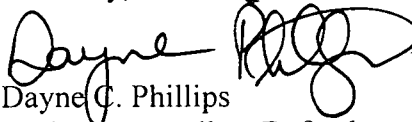
Re: State of South Carolina v. Tina Dockery

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

On February 27, 2012, I requested that the Court hold this case in abeyance due to Ms. Dockery's intent to drop her appeal. I sent Ms. Dockery letters with drop affidavits for her to sign and return on February 27, 2012, April 9, 2012, July 19, 2012 and August 13, 2012. She has not responded to the letters, and I have been unable to reach her by phone.

I need to proceed with her appeal, so I am requesting that this case be taken out of abeyance effective today, August 28, 2012. I have reset our time limit in which to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter 30 days from August 28, 2012, which gives us a due date of September 27, 2012. If this is not accurate, please contact me.

Sincerely,


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cc: Attorney General's Office