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**S.C. SUPREME COURT**

The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse  
Clerk, South Carolina Supreme Court  
Post Office Box 11330  
Columbia, SC 29211

Via Facsimile (803)734-1499 (original mailed)

Re: Donnell Woods, #272800 vs. State of South Carolina  
Appellate Case No.: 2015-000131

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

Please find enclosed herewith Motion to be Relieved and Motion for Extension of Time in which to File the Appendix and Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above referenced matter.

By copy of this letter, I am serving a copy of same upon David Spencer, Assistant Attorney General.

Sincerely,

  
Ray E. Chandler

REC/cnt  
Enclosure

cc: David Spencer, Assistant Attorney General  
South Carolina Office of Attorney General  
Post Office Box 11549  
Columbia, SC 29211-1549  
Via Facsimile (803)253-6283 (original mailed)

cc: Mr. Donnell Woods, 272800  
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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
In the Supreme Court

APPEAL FROM CLARENDON COUNTY  
Court of Common Pleas

R. Knox McMahon, Circuit Court Judge

Case No. 2012-CP-14-0210  
Appellate Case No. 2015-000131

Donneil Woods, #272800,.....Appellant,

vs.

State of South Carolina,.....Respondent.

**MOTION TO BE RELIEVED AND MOTION FOR EXTENSION  
OF TIME IN WHICH TO FILE APPENDIX AND PETITION FOR  
WRIT OF CERTIORARI**

COMES NOW the undersigned who would move this Honorable Court for an Order relieving him as counsel for Appellant, Donneil Woods, and for an extension of time in which to file the Appendix and Petition for Writ of Certiorari pursuant to Rule 243(d) of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules.

Said Motion is based upon the following:

Undersigned Counsel was retained by the Appellant and his father, Mr. Woodrow Woods in March 2012. The negotiated fee for the undersigned to represent Appellant in this PCR investigation and trial was \$12,000.00 to be paid before the case was called for trial;

Mr. Woods paid \$8,300.00 during the pendency of the case, but refused to pay the balance of the fee stating that the remainder would only be paid upon the Appellant being granted his PCR relief;

Undersigned counsel did not seek to be removed from Appellant's case, but saw the matter through to completion despite the families refusal to pay the agreed upon fee;

Since the denial of his PCR claims by the Honorable Judge McMahon, Appellant has expressed that he does not trust the undersigned or the undersigned's partner, Blair C. Jennings who also represented Appellant in the post-conviction relief;

Appellant has expressed that he does not like how the post-conviction trial was presented to Judge McMahon;

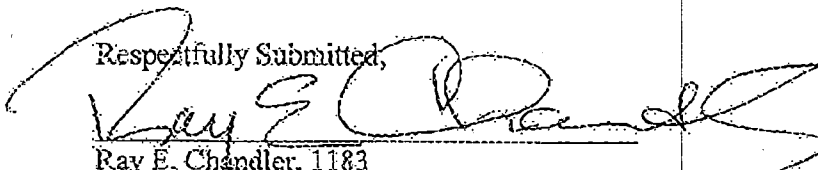
Appellant has indicated that he does not want the undersigned counsel to handle his appeal; however, he refuses to cooperate with the undersigned, refuses to sign the Affidavit of Indigency to allow the Office of Appellate Defense to assist him, and refuses to retain another attorney;

Appellant nor his family have been forthcoming with the funds to finish paying the balance of what was owed for the post-conviction relief matter much less the fee for an appeal.

The Transcript of the post-conviction relief proceeding was received by the undersigned on July 22, 2015. The undersigned would seek an extension of time in which to file the Appendix and Petition for Writ of Certiorari pending a decision on his Motion to be Relieved.

August 20, 2015

Respectfully Submitted,



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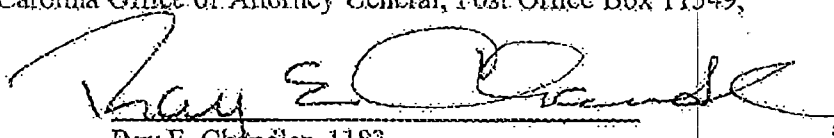
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PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served the **Motion to be Relieved and Motion for Extension of Time in Which to File the Appendix and Writ of Certiorari**, by faxing and depositing a copy of it in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, on August 20, 2015, addressed to David Spencer, Assistant Attorney General, South Carolina Office of Attorney General, Post Office Box 11549, Columbia, SC 29211-1549.

August 20, 2015



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