

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
In the Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM NEWBERRY COUNTY  
Court of General Sessions

Eugene C. Griffith, Jr., Circuit Court Judge

Case No.: 15-GS-36-0269 and 15-GS-36-0270

The State . . . . . Respondent,

v.

Derek Eugene Velasquez, . . . . . Appellant.

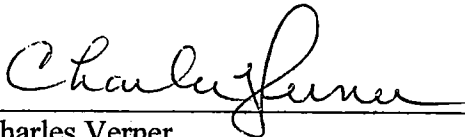
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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Derek Eugene Velasquez appeals his conviction on August 4, 2014, in Newberry County for the two offenses of Trafficking Cocaine, more than 400 grams, second offense, and Trafficking Cocaine Base, more than 10 grams, second offense, following his guilty plea and the sentences therefore. Appellant was sentenced to fifteen (15) years imprisonment for each count (concurrent) by the Honorable Eugene C. Griffith, Jr., on August 4, 2015

This appeal arises from a guilty plea and is filed pursuant to notification from Appellant's girlfriend indicating that Appellant wishes to appeal his guilty plea. Pursuant to Rule 203(d)(1)(B)(iv), SCACR, attorney for appellant is aware of no appealable issues preserved for review although Appellant's motion to suppress the searches of his person and property were raised and ruled upon by the sentencing judge on the day of Appellant's plea.

August 17, 2015

  
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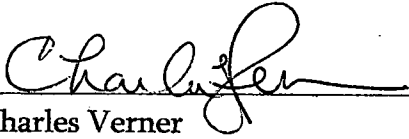
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PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served the APPEAL and MOTION OF APPELLANT FOR LEAVE TO FILE APPEAL OUT OF TIME, by mail, postage prepaid to the Honorable David Stumbo, Solicitor of the Eighth Judicial Circuit, Suite 203, Park Plaza, P. O. Box 516, Greenwood, South Carolina 29648, on July 13, 2015; by hand to the Office of the Solicitor at the Newberry County Courthouse, 1309 College Street, Newberry, South Carolina 29108, and to other counsel identified below.

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South Carolina Court Administration  
1015 Sumter Street, Suite 200  
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*Re: State of South Carolina v. Derek Eugene Velasquez  
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Newberry County*

Dear Sirs:

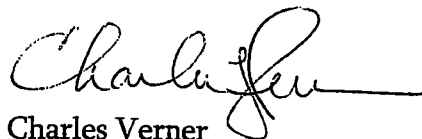
Enclosed please find for filing NOTICE OF APPEAL and PROOF OF SERVICE for the above-named individual's appeal.

I request that this appeal be assigned to the Office of Indigent Defense, Appellate section. The defendant is currently in the South Carolina Department of Corrections serving a ten (10) year term of imprisonment.

With kindest regards, I am

Truly yours,

NEWBERRY COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER

  
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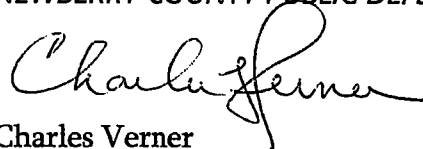
Dear Ms. Elliot:

Enclosed please find NOTICE OF APPEAL from the criminal conviction of the above named defendant in Newberry County Court of General Sessions.

With kindest regards, I am

Truly yours,

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

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Dear Madam Clerk:

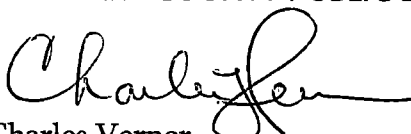
Enclosed please find Notice of Appeal, Proof of Service, copy of sentencing sheets and indictments for the above captioned appeal.

Please note that this is an appeal from a guilty plea on August 4, 2015. The girlfriend of Appellant contacted this office and indicated that Appellant wished to file an appeal but was unable to contact his attorney due to his incarceration.

With kindest regards, I am

Truly yours,

NEWBERRY COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER

  
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Enclosure