

The South Carolina Court of Appeals

The State, Respondent,

v.

Molina Armstrong, Appellant.

Appellate Case No. 2013-000932

ORDER

Counsel has submitted a brief pursuant to *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967), and a motion to be relieved as counsel. We deny the motion to be relieved as counsel and direct the parties to brief the following issues and any other issue of arguable merit:

1. Did the trial court err in finding Officer Moody's affidavit and testimony provided a substantial basis for the magistrate to determine probable cause existed to issue a search warrant for Armstrong's residence?
2. Did the trial court err in refusing to require the State to reveal the identity of the confidential informant when Officer Moody used the phrase "confidential informant" in his affidavit and the magistrate relied upon the affidavit and Officer Moody's testimony to find probable cause existed to issue the search warrant?

Appellant shall serve and file a final brief within twenty days of the date of this order. Accordingly, Appellant's final brief shall be due on September 28, 2015. Respondent shall have twenty days thereafter to file a final brief, which will be due on October 19, 2015. A reply brief, if any, must be filed by October 29, 2015.

This appeal will be orally argued during the December 2015 term of court.¹ No extensions will be granted absent a showing of extraordinary circumstances.

Paul E. Short, Jr. J.

John D. Besten J.

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¹ The appeal of Appellant's co-defendant will also be orally argued during the December 2015 term of court.