

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In The Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM NEWBERRY COUNTY
Court of General Sessions

George C. James, Jr., Circuit Court Judge

Case Nos. Indictment Number: 2012-GS-36-0349, -0562

The State.....Respondent,

v.

Curtis Pratt, Sr.....Appellant.

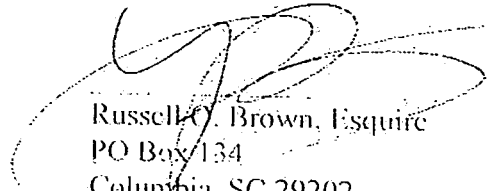
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STATEMENT PURSUANT TO RULE 203(d)(1)(B)(iv), SCACR

The Appellant pled guilty and was sentenced on July 31, 2012. The undersigned files this appeal at the request of Appellant. Appellant states that trial counsel failed to provide effective legal representation. *See Frazer v. South Carolina*, 430 F.3d 696, 705 (4th Cir. 2005) (“A defendant has a right to pursue a direct appeal, even if frivolous, which counsel must assist as an active advocate on behalf of his client.”) (quoting *Anders v. California*, 386 US 738, 744 (1967)).



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The Honorable Jenny A. Kitchings
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RE: The State of South Carolina v. Curtis Pratt,
Appellate Case No(s): 2012-212679;
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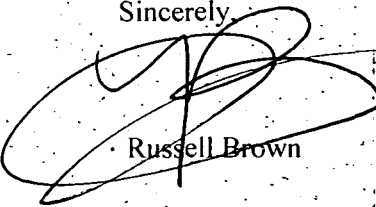
Dear Ms. Kitchings and Staff:

Enclosed are two (2) copies of the **Statement Pursuant to Rule 203(d)(1)(B)(iv) SCACR** to be date-timed stamped and filed in the above-referenced matter(s).

Please return the copy of the document(s) to me in the self-addressed stamped envelope, which I have provided for your convenience.

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Russell Brown

Enclosures: as stated.

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