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The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse
Clerk of Court, South Carolina Supreme Court
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SC SUPREME COURT

RE: **Edward Briggs v. State of South Carolina**
Appellate Case No. 2015-001949
Lower Court Case No. 2012-CP-45-121

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

On September 16, 2015, the State filed a notice of appeal in the above-captioned post-conviction relief case from the June 16, 2015 Order from the Honorable George C. James, Jr. After consultation within the Attorney General's Office and with the Third Circuit Solicitor's Office, however, the State has opted to withdraw the notice of appeal in this case.

Please accept this letter in lieu of a formal motion to withdraw the appeal. Once this matter is dismissed, both the South Carolina Department of Corrections and the Solicitor's Office will be advised that arrangements should be made for transport of the defendant back to Williamsburg County. If there are any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at any time.

Sincerely,

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