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Mr. Robert M. Watkins #243803
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Re: State v. Robert Watkins
Appellate Case No. 2011-195272

Dear Mr. Watkins:

This responds to your letter dated March 22, 2016.

Please be advised that no court reporter was present during the arguments in the above case, and that this Court does not provide transcripts of oral arguments. Further, my staff has listened to the recording of the arguments in the above case, and they report that the arguments of counsel are completely clear and understandable. Since this recording is stored electronically, the copy your mother has should be identical to the one on file with this Court.¹

Very truly yours,

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¹ Your mother may be referring to the background noise that is recorded before the arguments begin. During the time before the arguments begin, the microphones pick up the sounds of person talking or moving about before the start the arguments.