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April 25, 2016

The Supreme Court of South Carolina
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Re: Hartford Best v. State
2014-CP-26-0116

S.C. SUPREME COURT

Dear Clerk of Court,

Please file the attached Notice of Appeal, Proof of Service, Order, and Rule 243 Response pursuant to *Dennison* in the above referenced case.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,



Tristan M. Shaffer

CC: Horry County Clerk of Court
Jessica Kinard
Hartford Best # 105214

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In The Supreme Court

APPEAL FROM HORRY COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas

William H. Seals, Jr., Circuit Court Judge

Case No. 2014-CP-26-0116

Hartford Best #105214,

Petitioner,

v.

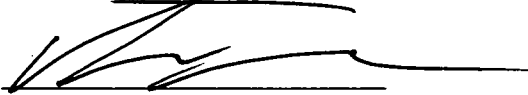
The State of South Carolina,

Respondent.

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Petitioner appeals the order dismissing his post-conviction relief action filed on March 17, 2016. This order was received by Petitioner on March 25, 2016.

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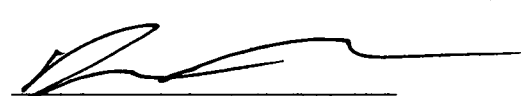
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PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served the Notice of Appeal on The State of South Carolina by mailing a copy to the Attorney General's Office at P.O. Box 11549, SC 29211 on ~~February 29~~, 2016.

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COUNTY OF Horry

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Applicant,

v.

State of South Carolina,

Respondent.

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
FOR THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Case No.: 2014-CP-26-0116

FINAL ORDER OF DISMISSAL

MELANIE HINCHES-WARD
CLERK OF COURT
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Horry County

This matter comes before the Court by way of an application for post-conviction relief (“PCR”) filed January 9, 2014. The Respondent made its return on or about July 15, 2015, requesting the application be summarily dismissed based upon the expiration of the statute of limitations.

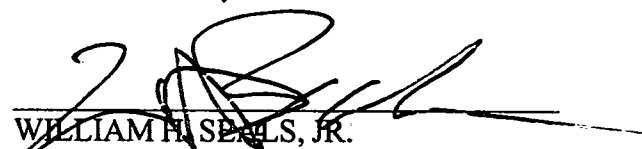
Pursuant to this request, and after reviewing the pleadings in this matter and all of the records attached thereto, this Court issued a Conditional Order of Dismissal signed July 18, 2015 and filed July 30, 2015, provisionally denying and dismissing this action, while giving the Applicant thirty days from the date of service of said Order in which to show why the dismissal should not become final. Attached to this Final Order and incorporated herein by reference is an Affidavit of Service dated August 12, 2015, serving the above-mentioned Conditional Order of Dismissal on the Applicant’s attorney, Tristan M. Shaffer, Esquire.

The Applicant has failed to respond to either the Respondent’s motion to dismiss or this Court’s Conditional Order of Dismissal. Therefore, this Court finds a sufficient reason has not been shown why the Conditional Order of Dismissal should not become final.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that, for the reasons set forth in this Court's Conditional Order of Dismissal, the PCR application is hereby denied and dismissed with prejudice.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED this 7 day of March, 2016

Court, South Carolina


WILLIAM H. SEALS, JR.
Chief Judge for Administrative Purposes
Fifteenth Judicial Circuit

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