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VIA HAND DELIVERY AND EMAIL

The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
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Re: State v. Christopher Terrell Gilyard, App. Case No. 2014-001714

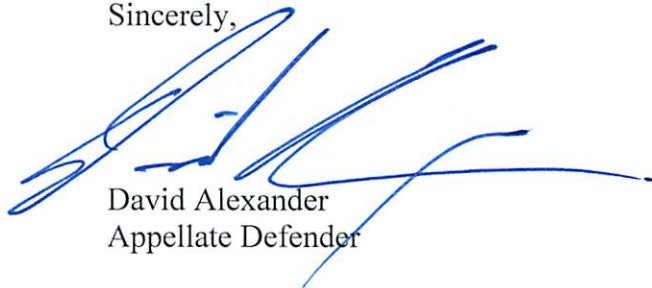
Dear Ms. Kitchings:

On April 1, 2016, the Court informed the parties that this case would be decided without oral argument. This letter is pursuant to Rule 208(b)(7) SCACR, and counsel would respectfully draw the Court's attention to additional authority that bears directly on Issue 3 of appellant's brief regarding the trial court's charge that the testimony of the victim in a sexual assault case need not be corroborated.

Today, the Supreme Court held that the giving of this charge is error. State v. Stukes, Op. No. 27633, Shearouse Adv. Sheet No. 18 (May 4, 2016).

By copy of this letter, I am notifying opposing counsel, J. Benjamin Aplin, of this submission of additional authority.

Sincerely,



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