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Re: The State v. Benton, Randal
2012208508

Dear Mr. Loy:

We have received your Notice of Appeal in the case noted above. This case will be docketed in the Court of Appeals and all communications concerning this case, including motions and petitions, initial and final briefs, and the Record on Appeal, should be directed to and filed in this Court. Failure to file in the proper court may result in the dismissal of your appeal. For all filings, please note the requirements of Rule 267(a) of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules, and be further advised that Court of Appeals policy requires the bar number and firm name of any counsel shown must be included in his or her address.

Please be advised that pursuant to Rule 602, SCACR and the order of the Chief Justice dated December 12, 1997, if you expect the Office of Indigent Defense to pursue this appeal, you must provide that office with all information required to proceed with this appeal, failing which, this office will consider you counsel of record.

PLEASE BE ADVISED that, pursuant to Rule 207 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules, the transcript must be ordered within thirty (30) days of the proof of service of the Notice of Appeal and you must provide this Court, opposing counsel, and the Office of Court Administration with all correspondence regarding the transcript. It is also Appellant's responsibility to make satisfactory arrangements (including agreement regarding payment for the transcript) with the Court Reporter for furnishing the transcript. You are reminded of the notification requirements of Rule 207(a)(5), SCACR, also, please advise the Court in writing upon receipt of the transcript.

I further wish to call the attention of the parties to the attached order relating to the inclusion of personal data identifiers and other sensitive information in documents filed with the Supreme Court of South Carolina and the South Carolina Court of Appeals. Please note that the responsibility for insuring that information is redacted or sealed as required by this order rests with counsel and the parties. This office will not review filings for redaction or to determine if materials should be sealed.

Very truly yours,

V. Claire Allen

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