

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE SUPREME COURT

Appeal from Laurens County
W. Jeffrey Young, Circuit Court Judge

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THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

MICHAEL VERNON BEATY,

APPELLANT,

Court of Appeals' Appellate Case No. 2015-000718.

**RESPONSE TO MOTION TO TRANSFER
CASE TO SUPREME COURT**

Respondent hereby responds to Motion to Appellant, Michael Vernon Beaty, to Transfer Case Pursuant to Rule 204(b) to the Supreme Court of South Carolina. Although Respondent agrees with Appellant that binding authority requires the Court of Appeals to deny the relief requested, Respondent does not object to the relief sought by this motion, and it does not object to transferring and certifying this case for review by the Supreme Court.

Appellant cites two specific issues as the basis for his motion. However, Appellant raises eight issues on appeal. In the interest of judicial economy, it is appropriate for all the issues on appeal to be considered by the Supreme Court.

WHEREFORE, Respondent does not object to the transfer of the case and certification of the case for review by the Supreme Court.

Respectfully submitted,

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I, Susannah Cole, counsel for the Respondent, certify that I have served the within Response to Motion to Transfer Case Pursuant to Rule 204(b) on Appellant by depositing copies of the same in the United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, addressed to his attorneys of record:

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A copy of this Response has been filed with the South Carolina Court of Appeals.

I further certify that all parties required by Rule to be served have been served.

This 22nd day of June, 2016.



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Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse
Clerk, South Carolina Supreme Court
Post Office Box 11330
Columbia, SC 29211

Re: State v. Michael Beaty
Appeal from Laurens County
Court of Appeals' Appellate Case No. 2015-000718

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

Enclosed please find the original plus six (6) copies of the *Response to Motion to Transfer Case to Supreme Court* dated June 22, 2016, along with proof of service, in the above-referenced case.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Susannah R. Cole
Assistant Attorney General

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Enclosures

cc: C. Rauch Wise, Esquire
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South Carolina Court of Appeals