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SC SUPREME COURT

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

Re: Kentwan Lake v. The State
Appellate Case No. 2015-002277

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

As evidenced by the enclosed affidavit, the above petitioner has elected to drop the appeal of the denial of his application for post-conviction relief. I have discussed the consequences of dropping the appeal with petitioner. Because Mr. Lake's decision to drop the appeal of the denial of his application for post-conviction relief is knowing, intelligent, and voluntary, I respectfully request that the Court issue an order dismissing Mr. Lake's appeal of the denial of his post-conviction relief.

By copy of this letter, I am informing Clay Mitchell of the Office of the Attorney General of Mr. Lake's decision.

Thank you for your time and assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Robert M. Pachak
Appellate Defender

RMP/cf

Enclosure

cc: Clay Mitchell, Esquire
Kentwan Lake

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF RICHLAND)

IN THE SOUTH CAROLINA
SUPREME COURT

KENTWAN LAKE,)
)
PETITIONER,)

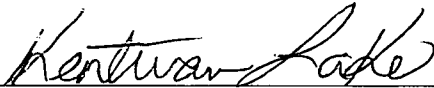
vs.)

THE STATE,)
)
RESPONDENT,)

AFFIDAVIT

PERSONALLY appeared before me, Kentwan Lake, who being duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. I am the petitioner in the above-captioned case.
2. I understand that I may request assistance from the South Carolina Office of Appellate Defense in perfecting my Petition for Writ of Certiorari from the denial of my post-conviction relief application. I have been informed of the possible consequences of either continuing with this proceeding or dropping this case.
3. I request that the South Carolina Office of Appellate Defense not perfect my Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the South Carolina Supreme Court, as it is my desire not to appeal this action.



Kentwan Lake

SWORN TO before me this 9th
day of August, 2016.

 (L.S.)

Notary Public for South Carolina

My Commission Expires: ~~My Commission Expires December 22, 2018~~