

IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM HORRY COUNTY
Court of General Sessions

The Honorable Steven H. John, Circuit Court Judge

Appellate Case No. 2016-001572

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT,

v.

TIANT A. SMITH,

APPELLANT.

CONSENT ORDER FOR SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL

Appellant entered pleas of guilty to Trafficking in Heroin, 1st Offense, 2014-GS-26-3635, Possession of Drugs with Intent to Distribute, 2015-GS-26-3429 and two (2) Unlawful Weapon Charges, 2014-GS-26-3636 and 2014-GS-26-3637, on February 9, 2016 before the Honorable Steven H. John. He was sentenced on that same date to an aggregate term of twenty (20) years. Appellant was represented prior to and during his plea proceeding by Barbara Wilson Pratt, Esquire. Appellant subsequently filed a *pro se* Motion to Withdraw his pleas on February 12, 2016. Attorney Pratt was subsequently relieved of any further responsibilities in this matter and Dayne C. Phillips, Esquire, was substituted as counsel-of-record. A hearing was held on Appellant's Motion to Withdraw Pleas on May 19, 2016. Judge John presided at that proceeding and denied Appellant's Motion from the bench. A written Order denying Appellant's Motion was filed on July 21, 2016. At Appellant's request, Attorney Phillips filed a Notice of Appeal on his behalf with this Court on July 28, 2016. Appellant has subsequently retained Tara Dawn Shurling, of the Richland County Bar, and has requested that she be substituted as counsel-of-record for his direct appeal.

Appellant, Attorney Phillips and Attorney Shurling have each indicated their consent to this substitution of counsel by their signatures below. J. Benjamin Aplin, Senior Assistant Deputy Attorney General, has consented on behalf of the State.

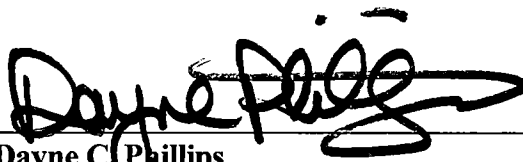
Inasmuch as the parties are all in agreement to this substitution, Appellant's petition is hereby granted. Dayne C. Phillips is hereby relieved of all further duties with regard to this appeal, and Tara Dawn Shurling is hereby substituted as counsel-of-record.

IT IS SO ORDERED.


By: _____
On behalf of the Court.

This _____ day of _____, 2016.

WE CONSENT:



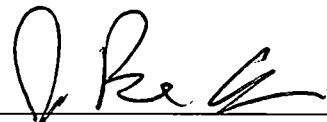
Dayne C. Phillips
Attorney at Law



Tara Dawn Shurling
Attorney and Counselor at Law

This 16 day of August, 2016.

This 17th day of August, 2016.



J. Benjamin Aplin
Senior Assistant Deputy Attorney General
Office of the Attorney General

This 15th day of August, 2016.



Tiant A. Smith, #367135

This 10th day of August, 2016.