

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )  
COUNTY OF GREENVILLE )  
THE STATE )  
v. )  
CHARLES THOMPSON, )  
DEFENDANT. )

IN THE COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS  
THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
Warrant Nos.: 2015-GS-23-003519

Rule 203(d)(1)(b)(iv) Certification

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Pursuant to SC Rule 203(d)(1)(b)(iv), Defendant would show that the sentence imposed is unreasonable. Defendant was sentenced to 12 years in the South Carolina Department of Corrections with credit for 545 days of time served with the special condition that he complete the Addiction Treatment Unit while serving the sentence. Defendant communicated to his Attorney that he demands an Appeal.

Defendant's Attorney is filing this appeal pursuant to his ethical duty to his client, and Defendant's constitutional right to appeal. See Frazer v. South Carolina, 430 F.3d 696, 706 (4th Cir. 2005) ("A defendant has a right to pursue a direct appeal, even if frivolous, which counsel must assist as 'an active advocate in behalf of his client.'") (quoting Anders v. California, 386 U.S. 738, 744 (1967)).

Defendant did not inform his attorney of any specific issues to appeal. Defendant only requested an appeal, and when Defense counsel requested clarification, Defendant simply stated that he wanted to appeal. Defense counsel can provide no material issues to appeal.

Respectfully submitted,

GREENVILLE COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER

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Re: The State v. Charles Thompson  
Appellate Case No. 2016-001694

Dear Counsel:

This Court has received your explanation for appealing.

Please forward your explanation to your client, along with a statement that your client has twenty (20) days from the date of your transmittal letter to inform this Court in writing of any arguable basis that there are issues preserved for appeal. Please provide your client with the Court's address:

South Carolina Court of Appeals  
P.O. Box 11629  
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Please send your letter to your client within ten (10) days, with a copy to this Court, or this appeal may be dismissed.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jenny Abbott Kitchings". The signature is written in a cursive style and includes a flourish at the end.

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cc: Alan McCrory Wilson, Esquire  
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**Re: The State v. Charles Thompson**  
**Appellate Case No. 2016-001694**

Dear Mr. Thompson:

I filed an appeal to the South Carolina Court of Appeals pursuant to your instructions. The Court of Appeals requests a letter informing them of any arguable basis that there are issues preserved for appeal.

As part of the appeal, I was required to submit a Rule 203(d)(1)(b)(iv) Certification to the Court explaining my reasons for filing an appeal. Enclosed is the Certification, a copy of the letter from the Court of Appeals, and a stamped envelope with the Court of Appeals Address.

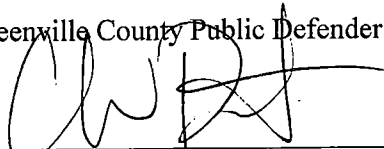
You have twenty (20) days to mail your response to the Court of Appeals. Please submit your letter to the following address:

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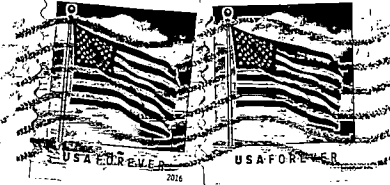
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