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Honorable Jenny A. Kitchings
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals
P. O. Box 11629
Columbia, SC 29211

Re: The State v. Walker Manning Hughes
Appeal from Greenville County
Appellate Case No. 2014-000294


Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Upon reviewing the Record on Appeal prior to oral argument in the above-referenced case on Wednesday, September 21, 2016, I discovered a factual misstatement appearing on pages 9 and 27 of the Final Brief of Respondent. In the spirit of Rule 208(b)(7), SCACR, I wish notify the court of the same and correct that misstatement.

Respondent's Statement of Facts cites to R. p. 175, line 17 – p. 176, line 3, to support its statement that blood from the victim, Ms. Hughes, was identified in the car associated with Appellant at the time of his apprehension. Br. of Respondent, p. 9. However, the Record on Appeal demonstrates that the blood instead belonged to "Mr. Hughes," the Appellant. R. p. 176, line 3 (emphasis added). This same citation reappears in Respondent's harmless error analysis. Br. of Respondent, p. 27.

I apologize for the error and ask that you notify the Chief Judge and the Honorable Judges of this Court of this correction. By copy of this letter I am informing opposing counsel of the same. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,


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cc: Robert M. Dudek, Chief Appellate Defender