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Mr. Richard Ratliff, #333368
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Re: Richard Ratliff v. State
Appellate Case No. 2014-001868

Dear Mr. Ratliff:

This responds to your *pro se* petition for reconsideration. This petition, which was received yesterday in an envelope post-marked September 30, 2016, has been construed as a petition for rehearing under Rule 221 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules.

No action will be taken on this petition for rehearing for two reasons. First, under Rule 221(a), SCACR, any petition for rehearing had to be actually received within fifteen (15) days of the date of the order denying the petition for a writ of certiorari in this case. Therefore, the petition for rehearing is untimely.

Second, when no timely petition for rehearing was received by this Court, the remittitur was sent to the circuit court on December 7, 2015. Rule 221(b), SCACR. The sending of the remittitur ended appellate jurisdiction over this case. *Wise v. S.C. Dept. of Corr.*, 372 S.C. 173, 642 S.E.2d 551 (2007).

Accordingly, no action will be taken on your petition for rehearing by this Court.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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cc: John Walter Whitmire, Esquire
Lara Mary Caudy, Esquire