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RE: Letter Dated August 23rd, 2012 Regarding Transcript, Rule 207
Appellate Case No: 2012-212457

Appellate Clerk of Court,

In response to your August 21, 2012 letter regarding the ordering of the transcript, I, as a *Pro Se* Appellant, answer as follows. Appellant relied on the unambiguous information posted on the SC Judicial Department website which states the following (paying special attention to underlined portions) (Emphasis mine):

“FAQ

Why do I need to order transcripts?

The transcript shows what evidence and arguments were put before the lower court. This information is required for the Court’s review of the appeal. In some cases, a transcript is not required, because all necessary information appears in court papers.

Rule 207 requires the appellant to order the lower court transcript from the court reporter when a transcript is required for the appeal. Generally, this must be done within ten days of serving the notice of appeal in civil cases and within 30 days of serving the notice in criminal cases. Refer to Rule 207 for exact details.

The transcript referred to in this rule is the circuit court transcript, not the transcript from proceedings before a magistrate, municipal judge, probate judge, or the like.

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This transcript must be ordered from the circuit court reporter. Do not attempt to order it from the Court of Appeals, from the Supreme Court, from the lower court judge, from the Circuit Court Clerk, or from the Office of Court Administration. If you do not know the name of the court reporter, you may contact the Office of Court Administration to learn the name. However, you must still order the transcript within the time limits established in the Rule.

If a transcript is not required for the appeal, you need not order it.”

In consideration of the above, Appellant decided that not transcript is required in the present appeal before the Court. The issues that Appellant seeks to bring before the Court in this appeal concern a deficiency of the record on which the Circuit Court made its ruling to deny Appellant’s appeal of a municipal court order. Considering that no testimony was given at the Circuit Court hearing, a copy of the Circuit Court transcript is not needed in this case.

Please promptly contact me with any questions.

Regards,


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