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Please Reply to Columbia Office

Mr. Roger Baughman, SCDC #00352432
4344 Broad River Road
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Roger Baughman, Appellant v. The State of South Carolina, Respondent
Warrant No(s). M-062343-55

Dear Roger:

I hope this letter finds you well. Enclosed please find a letter from the SC Court of Appeals regarding your appeal. As your appeal is an appeal from a guilty plea, Rule 203 of the South Carolina Appellate Rules requires:

“a written explanation showing that there is an issue which can be reviewed on appeal. This explanation should identify the issue(s) to be raised on appeal and the factual basis for the issue(s) including how the issue(s) was raised below and the ruling of the lower court on that issue(s). If an issue was not raised to and ruled on by the lower court, the explanation shall include argument and citation to legal authority showing how this issue can be reviewed on appeal. If the appellant fails to make a sufficient showing, the notice of appeal may be dismissed.”

As demonstrated in the Notice of Appeal I have filed with the Court and sent to you, the grounds I have listed are:

“Defendant’s grounds for this appeal include, but are not limited to, that the imposed sentence appears inequitable and excessive given the Defendant’s diagnosed mental health issues, his consistent rehabilitation throughout the pendency of these charges, as well as the lack of evidence of a reoccurrence of the behavior leading to these charges.”

As I have informed you, I see no error of law that was made in your guilty plea or sentence. As such, I am unable to provide the Court with additional explanation. Due to this, as indicated in the enclosed letter, the Court has requested that you provide them, in writing, of any arguable basis that there are issues preserved for appeal. You must make this explanation within **twenty (20) days** from the date of this letter. Please send your explanation directly to the Court at:

South Carolina Court of Appeals
Post Office Box 11629
Columbia, SC 29211

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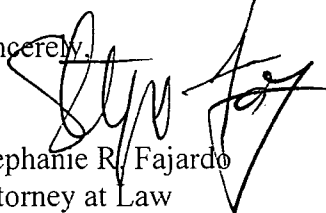
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If you should have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely,


Stephanie R. Fajardo
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Enclosures listed in text



The South Carolina Court of Appeals

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November 07, 2012

Ms. Stephanie Ruotolo Fajardo
2117 Park St.
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Re: The State v. Baughman, Roger
Appellate Case No. 2012-213236

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
Columbia, SC 29211

Please send your letter to your client within ten (10) days, with a copy to this Court.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jenny A. Kitchings".

CLERK

cc: Bethany Bedenbaugh Miles