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Mr. Michael Ray Elders, #345023
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Re: Michael Elders v. State
Appellate Case No. 2016-000242
Lower Court Case No. 2014CP3204072

Dear Mr. Elders:

Please be advised that this Court's letter of February 9, 2017, was sent in error. Your counsel has not submitted a petition under *Johnson v. State*, 294 S.C. 310, 364 S.E.2d 201 (1988) and has not moved to be relieved as your counsel. Therefore, you will not be permitted to submit a *pro se* response as indicated in the letter of February 9, 2017. I apologize for any confusion that this letter may have caused.

Very truly yours,

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