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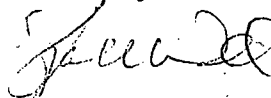
Re: State v. James Michael Johnson,  
Appellate Case No.: 2015-001615

Dear Ms. Kitchings,

I have reviewed the record in this case and concluded that there are no issues preserved for appellate review. I have discussed this with my client and have his permission to dismiss the direct appeal.

I am therefore requesting that the appeal be dismissed so to allow me to initiate a post conviction relief action on behalf of Mr. Johnson.

Sincerely,



J. Falkner Wilkes

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