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VIA US MAIL

The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
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Re: The State v. Montreal Ford
Appellate Case No. 2016-002572

Dear Clerk:

I am in receipt of your letter dated January 24, 2017 requesting a written explanation showing that there is an issue which can be reviewed on appeal pursuant to Rule 203(d)(1)(B)(iv) of the SC Appellate Court Rules.

At the conclusion of my retained services at the trial stage, Mr. Ford demanded that I file a Notice of Intent to appeal, therefore I timely did so. As an officer of the court, I am not aware of any preserved appellate issues involving this negotiated guilty plea. That said, I would respectfully request this Court grant an extension of 20 days from the date of this letter to allow Mr. Ford to file any written explanation on his own behalf.

With best regards, I am

Sincerely,

Mark A. Peper, Esq.

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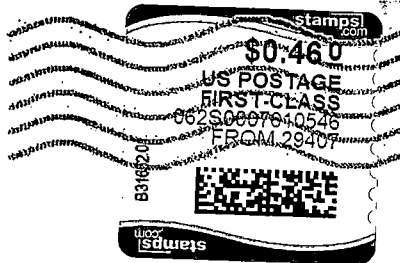
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