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Mark Lorenzo Blake, Jr., 368687  
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Re: The State v. Mark L. Blake, Jr.(2)  
Appellate Case No. 2016-001715

Dear Mr. Blake:

Your counsel has filed a brief indicating that this appeal is without merit and moves to be relieved as your counsel. *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S.738, 87 S. Ct. 1396, 18 L.E.2d 493(1967). The records in this office reflect counsel has served you with a copy of the brief and record on appeal.

You may, within forty-five (45) days of the date of this letter, file with this Court a *pro se* brief addressing any issues you believe the Court should consider in this appeal. Upon receipt of your *pro se* brief or the expiration of forty-five (45) days, this appeal will be submitted to the Court for its consideration.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jenny Abbott Kitchings". The signature is written in a cursive style and includes a flourish at the end.

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cc: John Benjamin Aplin, Esquire  
Alan McCrory Wilson, Esquire  
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