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Defendant Matthew Steven Pillon, by and through his undersigned counsel, William G. Yarborough, III, filed a Motion For Reconsideration of Sentence with the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit on September 6, 2016 and re-filed an Amended Motion for Reconsideration of Sentence with the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit on June 2, 2017. On June 12, 2017, an Order Denying Defendant's Amended Motion to Reconsider Sentence was executed. Our office received the Order via email on July 15, 2017. Therefore, we respectfully request of this Honorable Court that an appeal be granted.

Defendant Pillon appeals his conviction and sentence in this case. The defendant was found guilty following a jury trial on August 31, 2016 on one (1) count of Assault and Battery of a High and Aggravated Nature, one (1) count of Unlawful Neglect of a Child, and one (1) count of Abuse/Inflict Great Bodily Injury upon a Child. He was sentenced to two (2) terms of ten (10) years and one (1) term of fourteen (14) years, respectively, to be served concurrently. This appeal is taken from the following issues at-hand during the trial:

1. Did the court err in denying Appellant's Motion for Directed Verdict when the State did not produce any direct or substantial circumstantial evidence of Appellant's guilt?
2. Did the court err in denying Appellant's Motion to Reconsider Appellant's Sentence where Appellant received two (2) terms of ten (10) years and one (1) term of fourteen (14) years?

Respectfully submitted,



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I, Natasha Perez-Pendergrass, certify on this date, July 14, 2017 I served the Appellant's Notice of Appeal in this action, dated July 14, 2017 on The Honorable Alan Wilson, Brandi Hinton, and Pat Welborn by mailing it to him/her at his/her work address, by depositing it in the U.S. Mail, in an envelope with sufficient postage affixed, addressed as follows:

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Respectfully submitted,

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SWORN TO before this 14th  
Day of July 14, 2017

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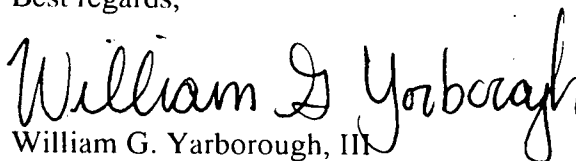
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I hope this finds you doing as well. As you know, we filed the Notice of Appeal on July 14, 2017, and the South Carolina Court of Appeals needs a statement from you regarding the arguable basis of the issues. I have provided you a copy of the Notice of Appeal with the issues listed, and a statement that you need to sign and send back to us as soon as possible. I have provided you with a Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope for you to mail the statement back to our office and we will forward it on to the Court. We have a very limited time frame, so please get this back to us as soon as possible.

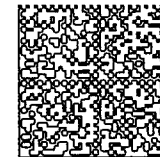
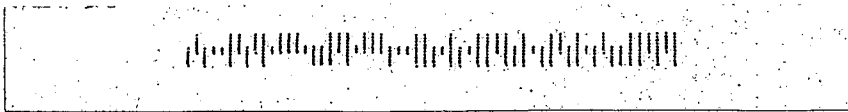
Take care of yourself and I hope to see you soon.

Best regards,

  
William G. Yarborough, III

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