

December 1, 2012

Clerk of Court
Jenny Abbott Kitchings
P.O. Box 11629
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Ms Kitchings, my name is Augustus Forrest, I am the father of Leah J Forrest (case # 2010GS4400932) Leah was sentenced to 18 years in prison on 4/13/12, and an appeal was filed on 4/23/12.

Leah has been in prison now for eight months, without any word as to any action or progress on the appeal, neither Leah nor myself, have any idea of how the appeals process is conducted.

The public defender that handled her case, and filed the appeal, told me another Attorney would be appointed for the appeal process, but we have no clue as to how long this may take. I am not even sure if you are the person I should be writing to for any information, if not could you please inform me as to who can provide any pertinent information.

I did contact a Ms French, at indigent defense, there in Columbia, she could only tell me that an appeal has been filed, she also told me that her office did not handle the appeals process, but was unable or unwilling to tell me who could give us any information, hopefully that may be you.

Thank you in advance for any help you may have to offer.

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