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In The Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM SPARTANBURG COUNTY
Court of General Sessions

The Honorable J. Keith R. Kelly
Seventh Judicial Circuit Court Judge

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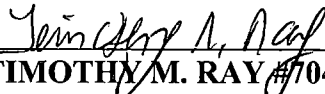
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The State of South Carolina.....Respondent
vs.
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EXPLANATION OF APPEAL PURSUANT TO RULE 203(d)(1)(B), SCACR

Pursuant to Rule 203(d)(1)(B), SCACR, Cesar Mendez Martinez files this explanation of his appeal of his guilty plea, conviction and sentence in this case. The sentence was imposed by the Honorable J. Keith R. Kelly on September 7, 2017. No issues were raised during the guilty plea; however, the client insisted upon an appeal; therefore, this appeal was filed pursuant to Weathers v. State, 319 S.C. 59, 459 S.E.2d 838 (1995), and State v. Thrift, 378 S.C. 70, 661 S.E.2d 373 (2008).

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The undersigned, Sandra Winstead, hereby certifies that she is employed in the office of Timothy M. Ray, Attorney at Law, and is a person of such age and discretion as to be competent to serve papers and that a copy of the **EXPLANATION OF APPEAL PURSUANT TO RULE 203(d)(1)(B) SCACR**, was served upon the following person(s) on the State, by depositing copies of same in the United States Mail, with sufficient postage affixed thereto, on September 14, 2017, addressed as follows:

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Subscribed and sworn to before me
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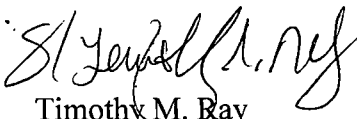
Re: The State vs Cesar Mendez Martinez

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Please find enclosed for filing Explanation of Appeal Pursuant to Rule 203(d) (1) B), SCACR
AND Proof of Service in the above-referenced matter.

If I can be of further assistance please feel free to call me.

Sincerely yours,


Timothy M. Ray
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