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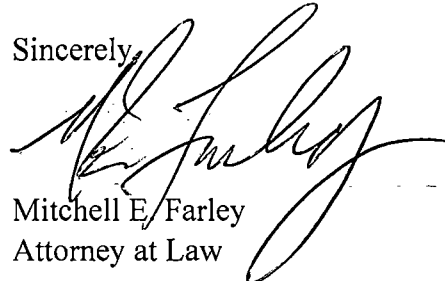
Jenny Kitchings  
South Carolina Court of Appeals  
P.O. Box 11629  
Columbia, SC 29211

**RE:** State v. Richard Isom Baldwin  
Appellate Case Number: 2017-001751

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

This letter is in response to your request that I send a copy of my explanation for appealing to my client, and then forward you a copy of that letter. I sent my client the required letter on August 25, 2017. However, I neglected to send you a copy of it. It is not customary at the trial level to copy Courts, and I overlooked that portion of your letter. I apologize. I have enclosed a copy to that letter to you. I have redacted privileged discussions. Should the Court need an unredacted copy, it is available. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely,



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cc: Client

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August 25, 2017

Mr. Richard Baldwin  
Kirkland Correctional Institution  
4344 Broad River Road  
Columbia, SC 29210

**RE:** Your Appeal and Motion to Reconsider

Dear Mr. Baldwin:

The South Carolina Court of Appeals has received your Notice of Appeal and Judge Goodstein has received your Motion to Reconsider Sentence.

The Court of Appeals has sent me the enclosed correspondence. It directs me to send you my explanation for appealing. I have already done that. It also directs me to tell you that you have 20 days from today's date to write the Court of Appeals at the address enclosed with any additional arguable bases that there are issues preserved for appeal. You should also send that same information to Appellate Defense that the address I have given you. What the Court is asking for is a valid reason for you to appeal. Also that reason must have been preserved during your guilty plea hearing. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] if you can think of anything that I have not included in the paperwork I have already submitted, please send that on to the Court of Appeals. Also know that even if you are successful at overturning your guilty plea, your charges will not go away. YOU WILL STILL BE FACING THE SAME CHARGES, AND STILL BE FACED THE DECISION TO PLEA GUILTY OR GO TO TRIAL. THE SOLICITOR DOES NOT HAVE TO GIVE YOU ANOTHER PLEA OFFER.

As far as your Motion to Reconsider Sentence, it is tentatively scheduled for September 8th. However, that is subject to change. At the hearing the judge will decide whether or not to keep your sentence the same or change it. It is important that you know that THE JUDGE COULD CHANGE YOUR SENTENCE TO GIVE YOU MORE TIME IF THERE IS ADEQUATE EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT THAT.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED], I encourage you to explore that possibility and the ramifications of an appeal with your appellate lawyers.

Sincerely,

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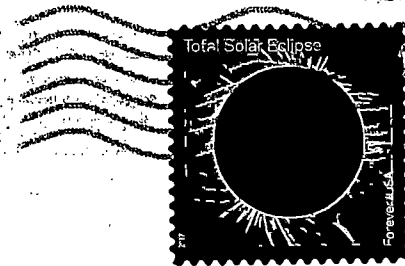
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