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Re: William H. McCladdie v. State  
Appellate Case No. 2016-001979

Dear Ms. Hackett:

Enclosed is a letter dated October 11, 2017, which your client has sent to Chief Justice Beatty. Chief Justice Beatty cannot consider this *ex parte* communication.

Further, since you currently represent him before this Court, this document cannot be accepted for filing and no action will be taken on it. *Miller v. State*, 388 S.C. 347, 697 S.E.2d 527 (2010); *Jones v. State*, 348 S.C. 13, 558 S.E.2d 517 (2002); *State v. Stuckey*, 333 S.C. 56, 508 S.E.2d 564 (1998); *Foster v. State*, 298 S.C. 306, 379 S.E.2d 907 (1989). If, of course, your client believes that he has good cause to have you relieved as his counsel, then he will need to seek that relief by serving and filing a motion in the manner specified by Rule 240 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosure

cc: Julie Amanda Coleman, Esquire  
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