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APPEAL FROM RICHLAND COUNTY  
ROBERT E HOOD, CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE  
Case No. 2016-CP-40-6916

Charles Eugene Carpenter,.....Appellant,

vs.

South Carolina Department of Corrections and  
The State of South Carolina,..... Respondents.

**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Appellant Charles Eugene Carpenter (hereafter "Carpenter") appeals from the orders of the Honorable Robert E. Hood filed on October 2, 2017, and the subsequent order dated December 18, 2017 denying Carpenter's motions to reconsider, notice of which was received by counsel for Mr. Carpenter on or about December 18, 2017. Copies of both orders being appealed as well as the order denying reconsideration are attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

Respectfully submitted,

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**PROOF OF SERVICE**

I, Krystyne Ammerman, an employee with Ballard & Watson, do hereby certify that on December 20, 2017, I served a copy of the **Notice of Appeal**, in the above-captioned case on the following individuals by hand-delivery and addressed as follows:

**The Honorable Jeanette McBride  
Richland County Clerk of Court  
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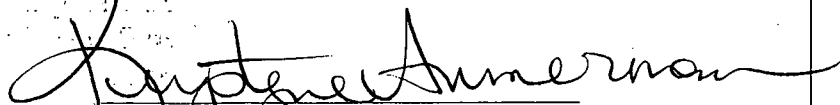
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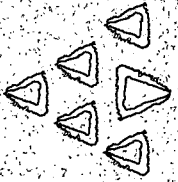
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Re: *Charles Eugene Carpenter v. South Carolina Department of Corrections, et al.*

Case No. 2016-CP-40-6916

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Enclosed for filing please find the original and one copy of a Notice of Appeal and Proof of Service for the above-referenced matter, along with a check in the amount of \$100 for the respective filing fee. Please clock and return a stamped copy of both the Notice of Appeal in the self-addressed, stamped envelope enclosed.

By copy of this letter and as evidenced by the Proof of Service, these filings have been served upon counsel for the Respondents. A copy is also filed with the Richland County Clerk of Court. Thank you for your time in this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

With warm personal regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Harvey M. Watson III  
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Honorable Jeanette McBride  
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