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Mr. Ray E. Chestnut  
P.O. Box 725  
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Re: Ray (a.k.a. Raymond) Edward Chestnut v. State  
Appellate Case No. 2018-000032  
Lower Court Case No. None Assigned by Horry County

Dear Mr. Chestnut:

This Court has received your notice of appeal from the order of Judge Hyman dated November 29, 2017, and the case has been assigned the appellate case number that appears above. Please use this number on all future correspondence relating to this matter.

All parties to this matter are advised that all filings must comply with the requirements of Rule 267 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules (SCACR). The SCACR are available online at [www.sccourts.org/courtreg](http://www.sccourts.org/courtreg). Additionally, any filings submitted by counsel admitted in South Carolina must include counsel's bar number.

The attention of the parties is directed to the order relating to the inclusion of personal data identifiers and other sensitive information in documents filed with the Supreme Court of South Carolina and the South Carolina Court of Appeals. The order can be found at

[www.sccourts.org/courtOrders/displayOrder.cfm?orderNo=2014-04-15-02](http://www.sccourts.org/courtOrders/displayOrder.cfm?orderNo=2014-04-15-02). Please note that the responsibility for insuring that information is redacted or sealed as required by this order rests with counsel and the parties. This office will not review filings for redaction or to determine if materials should be sealed.

Since the order of the circuit court determined, among other things, that this action is untimely under the statute of limitations, Rule 243(c), SCACR, requires you to provide a written explanation as to why this determination was improper. This explanation must contain sufficient facts, argument and citation to legal authority to show that there is an arguable basis for asserting that the determination by the lower court was improper. The failure to make a sufficient showing may result in the dismissal of this matter.

Please provide the explanation required by Rule 243(c) within twenty (20) days of the date of this letter. With this explanation, I ask that you provide a copy of the post-conviction application that you attempted to file in this matter.

I note that this Court has obtained a copy of the September 9, 2016, order of the circuit court issued in 2015CP2602371 which placed restrictions on future filings by you.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, stylized initial 'O' followed by a series of loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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cc: Alan McCrory Wilson, Esquire