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March 08, 2018

Mr. Willie Johnson
Kirkland Correctional Institution
4344 Broad River Road
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Re: Willie Johnson v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No. 2018-000401
Lower Court Case No. 2017CP1001194

Dear Mr. Johnson:

This Court has received your petition for a writ of certiorari and appendix. While this Court had not previously received a copy of your notice of appeal dated November 3, 2017, this Court has now obtained a copy of the notice of appeal and proof of service from the clerk of the circuit court.

This 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. 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. 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 that this action is barred as being successive and/or as being untimely under the statute of limitations, Rule 243(c) of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules 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. The explanation required by Rule 243(c) must be filed with this Court within twenty (20) days of the date of this letter.¹

Finally, since you have filed multiple post-conviction relief applications challenging the underlying 1985 conviction and sentence, this Court, if it determines that you have failed to provide an adequate explanation under Rule 243(c), SCACR, may decide to prohibit you from filing a post-conviction relief application, habeas corpus action or any other action, motion or petition in the circuit court challenging this conviction and sentence (including a motion under Rule 29 of the South Carolina Rules of Criminal Procedure) without first obtaining the permission of this Court to do so. If you believe that there is some reason(s) why such a prohibition should not be imposed on future filings by you in the circuit court, those reasons should be provided to this Court within twenty (20) days of the date of this letter.

Very truly yours,



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cc: Office of the Attorney General

¹ If you would like this Court to consider your petition for a writ of certiorari as your explanation under Rule 243(c), SCACR, you may simply advise this Court of this fact.

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