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RE: REASON FOR APPEAL

The State of South Carolina v. Ronald DUYANE DAVIS
INDICTMENTS Nos. 16 GS 30-1382 and 16 GS 30-1383

Dear MS. JENNY:

Please find enclosed this DOCUMENT of Letter stating the Reason of
for this APPEAL.

ON March 26, 2018 my Jury trial started ON Charges of Murder warrant NOS.
2016A3010200117 and Possession of Weapon during violent crime 2016A3010200118.

ON March 16, 2018 my Pretrial Hearing for suppression motions started. During these

Hearing I asked my Attorney Chelsey McNeil and Tristian Sharffer to suppress
issue of Confession of statement was giving before I was Mirandize violating

my Fifth, Sixth, and Fourteenth Amendments of U-S Constitution. I also
ask that search warrants for 13397 C.R. Koon may be suppressed due to

that two different warrants containing different times, names and more
information, violating my Fourth Amendment Rights which it should have been
only one warrant issue at time of search and not two. My Attorney refuse

to do that. Before trial started I ask my Attorneys to suppress the
Issues of warrants, written statements, Evidence that was obtain in

Fruits of illegal search and procedures and Fruits of illegal Police
Misconduct and so-on. AS my trial started I brought to my Attorneys

attention that they was leading the state witness at times with
words to incriminate me and I ask who side they were on, was they

representing me or victim for state, But my Attorney keep on
leading state witness. I also informed my Attorneys that the

Investigator Nicole Hurley we had been sexual involved
in a relationship before I got incarcerated.

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As my trial progress I brought it to my Attorneys Attention that this was a open-trial for public why did they tell my family they can't enter the Court Room to support me on behalf of my trial. I have the text message from my family that my Attorney sent them that they can't be at my trial. Also during my trial some of state witness testified in my favor because I claim self defense in this case under "Stand Your Ground" and Protection of Person and Property Act. It was proven that victim also fired the gun on behalf of state witness and that crime scene was not properly investigated by Laurens County Sherriff office. After SLED Investigator and Forensic took stand and spoken in somewhat of my favor, The Circuit Court Judge Donald Hocker stopped the trial and sent the Jury out on a two-hour lunch break and stated to Jury they had work to do outside their (Jury) presents. So Judge sent us on lunch and told us to be back at 1:30pm. So At 1:30pm the Court officers came to get me. I thought trial was about to start back up but they put men in client/Attorney Room at Courthouse. My Attorney Christian Shaffer and Chelsea McNeil came in and told me they had a Plea Deal work out for me. I told them I was not gonna plea ~~in~~ going to continue with the trial. My Attorney then stated that we can't continue this trial because Judge and state wanted me to enter a plea of guilt and I told them no no no I'm still gonna continue my trial. My Attorney stated to me again that state can't lose this case because it's not going in their favor. So I gotta take a plea Deal 25 years or a life sentence. I told them neither one my Attorney told me Jury found me guilty and I'm gonna get life if I didn't take these 25 yrs. They said they can't represent me anymore on behalf of state loosing and Judge. Then my Attorney calls my family and lie to them that I lost the trial but Judge giving me a chance to plea to 25 yrs and not get life. I told my Attorney it was in the hands of the Jury to Determine that I if I'm guilty or not, not them, Judge nor the Solicitors can determine that, because I still have to call my witness for case and show video cameras from Jail, my Resident and Officer Body Cams. My Attorney told me that it can't be aloud into evidence on my behalf. I told them they have cut all the state witness that can testify on my behalf and took evidence outta this trial to prove my innocence.

I was forced into pleading by my Attorney, Solicitor and Judge. I refused to accept the plea. My Attorneys told me I had no choice, they couldn't help me and I had to go into court room and accept the plea and had to answer all questions asked by Judge even if I knew it was a lie. I didn't have and still don't have a complete Rule 5-Brady motion. My Attorney Chelsea McNeil recorded all conversation we had on her cell phone without my permission and allowing the Solicitor office to listen to our conversation in violation of our client/attorney confidentiality rights. At my bond hearing held on December 18, 2017 it was said by my Attorney and Solicitor Warren Mowry, Jr. if victim GSR result came back positive it would not be a murder charge but I would go to trial on Man Slaughter but I still went to trial on murder instead and victim came back 100% positive for GRS. I did not have the right to a public trial by an impartial solicitor, judge or by my Attorney of counsel in Eighth Circuit Judicial. Also Judge Donald Hocker never should have resided of my case because he knew the facts arising in the case because he denied me a bond at my 3rd bond hearing which I should have been rightfully granted one by state. I told my lawyer to do a motion for change of venue and judge because I would not be granted a fair and impartial jury trial by judge, jury nor state county of Laurens. So I'm asking for retraction to order my transcript from this trial so courts of appeal can see that all this transpired and prejudice and due process rights have been violated along with many other U.S. Constitution rights.

With kindest regards, I am
very truly yours

Ronald D Davis Appellant.
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