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S.C. SUPREME COURT

Re: The State v. Wayne Gary Polite, Appellate Case No. 2017-000728

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

I represent Wayne Polite in the above-referenced case. On December 15, 2017, I filed the brief of petitioner arguing the trial court erred in denying Mr. Polite's request for self-representation. In light of the oral argument scheduled in the case for June 13, 2018, I would like to make the Court aware of two recent cases that are pertinent and significant authorities for resolution of the issue on appeal. Pursuant to Rule 203(b)(7), SCACR, I am alerting the Court to the following authorities: McCoy v. Louisiana, No. 16-8255 (U.S. Sup. Ct. filed May 14, 2018) and State v. Samuel, Op. No. 27768 (S.C. Sup. Ct. filed Feb. 28, 2018). Copies of those opinions are enclosed for the Court's convenience.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Susan B. Hackett  
Appellate Defender

Enclosures: McCoy v. Louisiana  
State v. Samuel

cc: Scott Matthews, Esquire (with enclosures)  
Wayne Polite (with enclosures)