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RE: The State v Robert M. Watkins
Appellate Case No 2018-001036

6/13/2018

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

I received your letter dated June 7, 2018 informing me that the Supreme Court of South Carolina office of the clerk of Court has received my "Notice of Appeal" seeking review of the decision of South Carolina Court of Appeals in Appellate Case Number 2016-000966 on June 12, 2018. I am requesting an extension of brief file a petition for writ of Habeas Corpus. I also have some concerns about being able to meet all the requirements as far as the copies are concerned, being that I am not represented by the SCCID Division of Appellate Defense: Case 2016-000966 stemmed from a independent Motion for a New trial Based on a Brady violation. In which, pursuant to SC Rule 17 I was provided by the city of Greenville Police department exculpatory evidence that was not provided to me prior to trial pursuant to Brady v Maryland. When the circuit Court denied my Motion, I appealed it. I tried to apply for representation from SCCID Division of Appellate Defense. They informed me they only represent indigent defendants on direct appeal of a criminal conviction, and not in reference to motion for new trials.

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~~Send~~ SCDC, Perry court Just. will not make me (6) copies of my petition for writ of Certiorari and two copies of Appendix. I will be representing myself Pro-se. So will you allow me to file one copy of my petition for writ of Certiorari, and one copy of my appendix, and send a copy back to me to provide to the opposing counsel.?

Also, I need an extension of time. I will send the Attorney General's office notice that I have requested an extension of time to file my petition for writ of Certiorari and appendix. I am waiting to see if the SC Court of appeals is going to provide me a copy of my record on appeal for this case 2016-000966, so that I can use those documents to ~~pre~~ prepare my petition for writ of Certiorari and Appendix. The clerk of court Jenny Kitching said I will have to pay for a copy of the record on appeal pertaining to my case Appellate Case 2016-000966. I explained to her that I was indigent, she told me to contact my appellate defense counsel Laura Baer who was representing me on Appellate Case 2015-002191. So I did, to see if she would obtain the records for me. My indigency is being used against me.

Respectfully Submitted by
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