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S.C. Supreme Court
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Columbia, S.C. 29201

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From: James Brian Cooper
Laurens County Detention Center
154 Templeton Rd.
P.O. Box 329
Laurens, S.C. 29360

S.C. SUPREME COURT

IN RE: case number 2017A3010101122, APPEAL

Dear Clerk of Court:

I Pray my Poverty will NOT stand in the way of you clock stamping, Filing,
and Returning me a true copy of the enclosed Documents.

Enclosing, I do thank you for your time and assistance.

Respectfully: James Brian Cooper

James Brian Cooper

Date: June 7, 2018

IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
SUPREME COURT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
DISTRICT OF LAURENS COUNTY

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF LAURENS

In RE: case number 2017A301010122

James Brian Cooper
Petitioner,

APPEAL

v.

BOND COURT RULING

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF LAURENS

Respondent.

The above named Petitioner James Brian Cooper Hereby Prays to This Honorable Court For an APPEAL order Regarding Bond Court Ruling For The Following:

1) Petitioner James Brian Cooper, is a laymen to the law.

2) Petitioner James Brian Cooper, due to his poverty is indigent.

3) Petitioner James Brian Cooper on May 31, 2018 without notification was rushed to The Laurens County Court House in Laurens South Carolina and was put before The Honorable Judge Hocker Regarding a Bond matter.

4) This court proceeding was without authority.

5) Due to a conflict of interest, Appointed Public Defender Tristan Michael Shaffer

Had no Authority To Put Petitioner James Brian Cooper, before the Court's For any reason.

Petitioner James Brian Cooper did not request Public Defender Tristan Michael Shaffer To do anything For Petitioner James Brian Cooper.

Petitioner James Brian Cooper, in a Prayer one (1) minute conversation with Public Defender Tristan Michael Shaffer expressed the Possibility of Putting up Property that is being left to Petitioner James Brian Cooper by and through Petitioner Cooper's Deceased mother Judy Barbree Cooper's Estate.

Petitioner Cooper explained to Public Defender Shaffer Prayer to the Bond Court Proceedings that said Property was tied up in Probate Court. If Public Defender Shaffer had investigated this issue, Shaffer would have known that this would not have been allowed to begin with. One can not put up one's own Property in South Carolina. It has to be done by a Third Party.

Public Defender Shaffer fumbled through his words like a drunk man in front of the Honorable Judge Hocker, and Refused to allow Petitioner James Brian Cooper the opportunity to speak to the Honorable Judge Hocker.

Petitioner James Brian Cooper desperately needed to explain to the Honorable Judge Hocker that Petitioner Cooper had been accepted into the "Open Door" Rehabilitation Facility operated by Pastor Charles Brewington located at 209 E. Main Street, P.O. Box 925, Clinton South Carolina 29325, Phone 864-833-7670, and due to Petitioner Cooper's Poverty the set Bail amount is excessive and had the Court Proceedings been conducted Proper and legal, Petitioner James Brian Cooper would have Prayed for some type of Bond that would allow Petitioner Cooper immediately enter into the already accepted "Open Door" Rehabilitation Program.

Petitioner James Brian Cooper has been an alcoholic and drug addict all of his life, been incarcerated with the South Carolina Department of Correction's Three (3) times, and

Petitioner cooper Has never been afforded THE opportunity of a Rehabilitation Program until now.

Petitioner James Brian cooper Has been corresponding with Gerald Black, Regional Director, Region 1 of the Anderson County Department of Probation, Parole, and Pardon services Regarding Petitioner cooper's Prayed For assistance regarding Rehabilitation Facilities. (Please see enclosed letter Petitioner cooper received From Regional Director Gerald Black).

Petitioner James Brian cooper, Has also been corresponding with Senator Tim Scott, Senator Ralph Anderson, Catherine Templeton, The solicitor For Greenwood county, The Public Defender's office For Greenwood county, The solicitor For Laurens county, The clerk of courts office For Laurens and Greenwood county's. Along with Program coordinator Cheryl English of the South Carolina Developmental Disabilities counsel, Director Alex Ritchey of the Home with the Heart Rehabilitation Program, Pastor Wayne Jones and his Program, magistrate Judge's office Judicial Assistant F. Hauptfear, The Laurens county mental Health Department (From which I had been under their care); Please note; during my/Petitioner's incarceration, Petitioner cooper was also under the care of mental Health.

Petitioner James Brian cooper Has been in contact with the South Carolina Bar association Regarding Probation service's Regarding Petitioner cooper's mother's Estate.

Petitioner James Brian cooper Has been denied his Requested Preliminary Hearing.

Petitioner James Brian cooper Has been denied medical treatment by the Laurens county Detention center nurse slutz.

nonetheless, Petitioner James Brian cooper, Desperately needed to Pray to the Honorable Judge Hucker For a Personal Recognizance bond or a Bond THAT would allow Petitioner cooper To immediately be allowed to enter the "open door" Rehabilitation Facility.

Petitioner James Brian Cooper Hereby Prays to This Honorable Supreme Court of South Carolina
For an order modifying THE Honorable Judge Wacker's Board Ruling.

Petitioner James Brian Cooper, Prays only For some type of Board THAT will allow Petitioner Cooper
to enter the already excepted "Open Door" Rehabilitation Facility.

Petitioner James Brian Cooper Prays THAT THIS Appeal is made in Good Faith.

State of South Carolina
Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services

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Governor



JERRY B. ADGER
Director

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May 17, 2018

Mr. James Brian Cooper
Laurens County Detention Center
154 Templeton Rd.
Laurens, SC 29360

Dear Mr. Cooper:

I am receipt of your letter sent to the Anderson County Probation Office. I have reviewed your case and we will work very hard to get you the treatment you desire. We will closely monitor your pending case in Laurens County for it will help to determine our options to help you get the help you need.

Please feel free to contact me at 313 South Towers Street Anderson, SC 29624.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "G. Black".

Gerald Black
Regional Director
Region 1

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

To: Public Defender TRISTAN M. SHAFFER EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
600 MONUMENT ST., SUITE 208
Box P-133
Greenwood, South Carolina 29646

From: James Brian Cooper
Laurens County Detention Center
154 Templeton Rd.
Laurens, S.C. 29360

EMAN W. LANCASTER
2018 APR 12 AM 10:25
LAURENS COUNTY
CLERK OF COURT

In RE: warrant number(s): 2017A3010101122

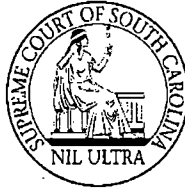
Dear SHAFFER:

IT HAS BEEN BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION THAT THERE ARE
CODEFENDANT(S) REGARDING ABOVE MENTIONED WARRANT(S) NUMBER(S):
2017A3010101122 AND OR ATLEAST ONE (1) OF SAID CODEFENDANT(S)
ARE REPRESENTED BY THE LAURENS COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDERS OFFICE AND
IT HAS BEEN BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION THAT THIS IS A CONFLICT OF
INTEREST. THEREFORE I WAIVE MY RIGHTS THAT WOULD ALLOW THE
LAURENS COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDERS OFFICE TO REPRESENT ME.
THAT SAID I PRAY YOU WILL FORWARD MY CASE TO THE PRO BONO
DEPARTMENT OF THE LAURENS COUNTY COURT SYSTEM.

ENCLOSING I DO THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND ASSISTANCE.

RESPECTFULLY,
James Brian Cooper
James Brian Cooper

Date APRIL 5, 2018 (P. 1 OF 1)



The Supreme Court of South Carolina

OFFICE OF DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL

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Disciplinary Counsel

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Senior Assistant Disciplinary Counsel

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Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Telephone: (803) 734-2038
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May 24, 2018

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

James Brian Cooper
Laurens County Detention Center
Post Office Box 329
Laurens, SC 29360

RE: Lawyer: Tristan Michael Shaffer, Esquire
File Number: 18-DE-L-0568

Dear Mr. Cooper:


We have received your complaint against Tristan Michael Shaffer, Esquire. We will conduct an investigation into the matters you have reported. You will not necessarily be contacted prior to a decision regarding your complaint; therefore, you should submit any additional information or documentation to support your allegations at this time.

The authority of this office and the jurisdiction of the Commission on Lawyer Conduct are limited to issues of whether a lawyer is subject to discipline pursuant to the Rules for Lawyer Disciplinary Enforcement, Rule 413, SCACR. Where misconduct is found, this disposition might include a confidential letter of caution or admonition, a public reprimand, suspension, or disbarment. If our investigation does not reveal evidence of lawyer misconduct, your complaint will be dismissed.

We take this opportunity to advise you of the limited role of this office and the Commission so that you will be aware that we cannot provide you with assistance or advice. You should promptly seek assistance or advice that you might need from legal counsel or other sources.

You will be notified of the final disposition of your complaint. It is often many months after receipt of a complaint before a final decision is made. In the meantime, feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,


Sabrina C. Todd

SCT/clg

Laurens County Magistrate Office



100 Hillcrest Square
PO Box 925
Laurens, South Carolina 29360
(864) 681-5689 Fax (864) 681-0591

May 31, 2018

James Brian Cooper

Re: Letter sent to the Magistrate Judges (Case # 2017A3010101122)

Mr Cooper,

This letter is in reference to the letter you sent to the Magistrate Judges about your case (2017A3010101122). You need to contact the Solicitors Office with your request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "F. Haupfear", written in a cursive style.

F. Haupfear
Judicial Assistant
Laurens County Magistrate Office

To: Honorable magistrate's office Judge(S)

Laurens County South Carolina

P. O. Box 925

Laurens, S.C. 29360

From: James Brian Cooper

Laurens County Detention Center

P. O. Box 329

Laurens, S.C. 29360

IN RE: wlr 2017A3010101122

Dear Honorable magistrate Judge

I am Praying to you For assistance.

I Have been accepted in to the "open door" Rehabilitation Facility operated by Pastor Charles Brewington, located at 209 E main street Clinton S.C. 29325 phone 864-833-7670, But above mentioned wlr 2017A3010101122 Board of Twenty Five Thousand (\$25,000) dollar's is restricting me From Receiving the Rehabilitation I so Desperately Pray For. Please note; all my Family are Deceased and I Have no one to assist me.

Please Find enclosed a letter I Received From Gerald Black Regional Director Region 2 of THE Department of Probation, Parole, and Pardon services, Anderson County Office, expressing His concern Regarding my Rehabilitation treatment. I am Praying to you For any assistance you could Provide in order For me to attend the already accepted "open door" Program.

Please Feel Free to contact Gerald Black Regarding Rehabilitation option's I Pray For.

Enclosing, I do Thank you For your Time and assistance.

Respectfully: James Brian Cooper

Date: May 25, 2018

James Brian Cooper

Bond Reduction

2017-05-07 10:11:22

To: Honorable Bond Court Judge

ANN W. LANCASTER

P.O. Box 387

Laurens, South Carolina 29360

7:10 MAY -7 AM 10:19

LAURENS COUNTY
CLERK OF COURT

From: James Brian Cooper

Jackson Detention Center

P.O. Box 329

Laurens, S.C. 29360

In RE: Bond Reduction

Dear Honorable Bond Court Judge:

I am praying to you for a bond reduction for the following, I have been corresponding with Pastor Wayne James regarding a Rehabilitation Program with Director Alex Rich of The Home with a Heart in Liberty South Carolina regarding my life long Alcoholism and drug addiction. I am 54 years old and sick and tired of this life. I have never been to a Rehabilitation Facility before, and when I found my mother dead a few months ago that is when I finally bottomed out. My Dad died in 2008 and I have no siblings. Nevertheless if I can't be granted a bond reduction, then would you consider allowing me to some kind of bond that would allow me to go to The Home with a Heart Rehabilitation Facility while I'm awaiting a court date? Enclosing I do thank you for your time and assistance.

Respectfully, James Brian Cooper

James Brian Cooper

Date: April 24, 2018

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9TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
GREENWOOD, SC

May 17, 2018


Mr. James Brian Cooper
Laurens County Detention Center
154 Templeton Rd.
Laurens, SC 29360

Dear Mr. Cooper:

I am receipt of your letter sent to the Anderson County Probation Office. I have reviewed your case and we will work very hard to get you the treatment you desire. We will closely monitor your pending case in Laurens County for it will help to determine our options to help you get the help you need.

Please feel free to contact me at 313 South Towers Street Anderson, SC 29624.

Sincerely,


Gerald Black
Regional Director
Region 1

To: Clerk of Court

528 Monument St, #114

Greenwood, S.C. 29646

From: James Brian Cooper

P.O. Box 329

Laurens County Detention Center

Laurens, S.C. 29360

FILED GENERAL SESSIONS
914 JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
GREENWOOD, SC

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IN RE: Case number 17A2410200435

Dear Clerk of Court:

I Pray my Poverty will not stand in the way of you clock stamping,
Filing, and returning me a true copy of the enclosed letter I received
From Regional Director Gerald Black Region 2 of the Anderson County Probation,
Parole and Pardon Services Department.

I Pray you will Forward a copy of the enclosed to the Solicitor For
Greenwood County and one to the Public Defender's Office.

Enclosing, I do Thank you For your time and assistance.

Respectfully: James Brian Cooper

Date: May 24, 2018

James Brian Cooper

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May 17, 2018

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LAURENS COUNTY
CLERK OF COURT


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Sincerely,

Gerald Black
Regional Director
Region 1

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF LAURENS

James Brian Cooper
Name of Defendant

CASE NUMBER/CHARGE:
2017A3010101122 Burglary / Burglary (After June 20, 1985) - First degree

CHECKLIST

TRIAL COURT:

- GENERAL SESSIONS COURT
- MAGISTRATE COURT
- MUNICIPAL COURT

CHECKLIST FOR MAGISTRATE AND MUNICIPAL JUDGES

DIRECTIONS: Magistrate and Municipal Court Judges must use this checklist for ALL GENERAL SESSIONS and for ALL MAGISTRATE AND MUNICIPAL COURT CASES IN WHICH BOND HAS BEEN SET BY A JUDGE. Magistrates and municipal judges must also use the Checklist on those non-bailable GENERAL SESSIONS OFFENSES IN WHICH THEY ARE CONDUCTING FIRST APPEARANCES. The judge shall attach this checklist to the charging document (arrest warrant or uniform traffic ticket) when the defendant first appears before a judge for a bond hearing or first appearance, and complete the appropriate sections. Defendant must be provided a completed copy of this form.

BAIL PROCEEDING / FIRST APPEARANCE (NON-BAILABLE OFFENSES)

1. Form used at bail proceeding
 - a. Bond Form I (personal recognizance)
 - b. Bond Form II (surety, cash, percentage)
 - c. None (Non-Bailable Offense) because:
 - charge carries a penalty of life or death; or
 - defendant charged with violent offense while bonded out on violent offense
2. For cases in which bond was set, defendant was informed:
 - a. Warrant for arrest will be issued for violation of any condition of bail bond order.
 - b. His right and obligation to be present at trial and that trial will proceed in his absence if he fails to attend.
 - c. Failure to appear in court as required will result in institution of additional criminal charges. Failure to appear in connection with a felony, or while awaiting sentence after conviction, additional charge has penalty of not more than \$5,000 or imprisonment for not more than 5 years, or both. Failure to appear in connection with a charge for a misdemeanor for which the maximum possible sentence is at least one year, additional charge has penalty of not more than \$1,000 or imprisonment for not more than one year, or both. Failure to appear in court as required on any charge not specified above will result in the issuance of a warrant for defendant's arrest, as well as loss of any posted bond.
3. For cases to be tried in Court of General Sessions, defendant was informed of right to preliminary hearing if requested within ten (10) days:
 - a. Orally
 - b. In writing [NOTE: Defendant must be informed of right both orally and in writing]
4. Defendant was informed of the right to trial by jury.
5. In all general sessions cases, in all criminal domestic violence cases, and in all magistrate or municipal cases in which a prison sentence is likely to be imposed, defendant was informed of the following:
 - a. Charges against defendant and nature of the charges.
 - b. Right to counsel and right to court-appointed counsel if financially unable to employ counsel.
 - c. Defendant was informed orally and provided a copy of this form advising him of his right to obtain court appointed counsel if indigent (must meet federal poverty guidelines) and instructions on how to obtain court appointed counsel. In order to apply for court appointed counsel, defendant is required to appear before

The Laurens County Clerk of Court Office located at 100 Hillcrest Square, Suite B, Laurens, SC 29360 for indigency screening. Defendant is responsible for a statutory fee of \$40.00 for indigency screening.

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5-27-18
First Appearance or Bond Hearing Date

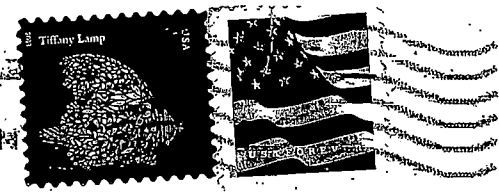
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JUDGE'S SIGNATURE

James B. Cooper

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Laurens County Detention Center
154 Templeton Rd
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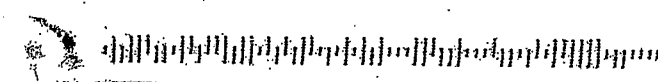
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