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Mr. Todd Michael Sowell, 00238581
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Re: Todd M. Sowell v. State
Appellate Case No. 2018-001287
Lower Court Case No. 2015CP4005964

Dear Mr. Sowell:

This Court has received your notice of appeal, and the 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.

While you did not provide a copy of the order denying the Rule 59 motion dated May 18, 2018, the final order of dismissal dated April 19, 2017, or the conditional order of dismissal dated June 20, 2016, this Court has obtained a copy of these orders from the Public Case Index for Richland County.

Since 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.

Please provide the explanation required by Rule 243(c) within twenty (20) days of the date of this letter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, stylized initial 'C' followed by a series of loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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cc: Megan Harrigan Jameson, Esquire