

The State of South Carolina
In the Court of Appeals

Appeal from Fairfield County Court of General Sessions

Thomas A. Russo, Circuit Judge

Case Number 2018 001095

State.....Respondent

v.

Malik Al-Shabazz.....Appellant

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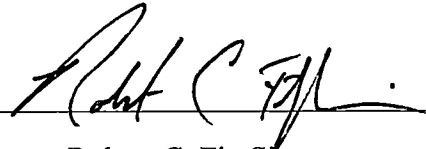
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Explanation required by Rule 203(d)(1)(B)(iv)

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I thank you for your assistance in this matter.

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With best regards, I remain

Yours

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert C. FitzSimons". The signature is stylized and cursive, with a large initial "R" and "C".

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Re: State vs. Malik Al-Shabazz, Appellate Case no. 2018 - 001095

Dear Ms. Allen:

Thank you for your letter of July 17, which reached me today. I apologize for any duplication of efforts caused by my client's deficient *pro se* appeal and my unsuccessful attempt to rehabilitate it.

Enclosed please find my written explanation as required by Rule 203(d)(1)(B) (iv).

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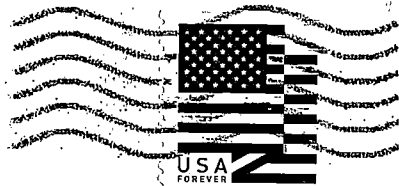
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