

July 24, 2018

Alonzo Columbus Jeter, III
Perry Correctional Insitution
Q2 - A - 108 / #282902
430 Oaklawn Road
Pelzer, South Carolina 29669

The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse
Clerk, S.C. Supreme Court
P O Box 11330
Columbia, S.C. 29211

Re: Alonzo Columbus Jeter, III v State
Case No.: 2017-001777

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

Enclosed, please find one (1) self - addressed stamped envelope, the '*Motion To Relieve Counsel And Request For Leave To Proceed Pro Se*' along with '*Certificate Of Service*' and one (1) true copy of the same. Please file the enclosed '*Motion To Relieve Counsel And Request For Leave To Proceed Pro Se*' along with '*Certificate Of Service*' in the above aforementioned case with the South Carolina Supreme Court.

Please also return to me by way of the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope one copy bearing the South Carolina Supreme Court's filed stamp and also send filed stamped copies out where needed.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,



Alonzo Columbus Jeter, III

PETITIONER

Cc: FILE

Julie Coleman - Assistant Attorney General

LaNelle Cantey Durant - S.C. Commission on Indigent Defense

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE SUPREME COURT

Certiorari to Cherokee County
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V

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RESPONDENT

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PETITIONER - Acting Pro Se

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CAUSE FOR THIS MOTION

The Petitioner, Alonzo Columbus Jeter, III, S.C.D.C. #282902, is currently represented on appeal from post-conviction relief (PCR) action, by appellate defense counsel, LaNelle Cantey DuRant. Ms. DuRant is employed by the South Carolina Commission on Indigent Defense.

Attorney DuRant filed and served a Merit's Petition for a Writ of Certiorari with the South Carolina Supreme Court on June 6, 2018. The Petitioner is an inmate housed at Perry Correctional Institution and has received service of that petition on June 13, 2018, through Perry Correctional Institution's internal legal mail delivery system.

As of June 13, 2018, the Petitioner became aware that Appellate Attorney DuRant chose of her own volition to waive or abandon six (6) of seven (7) issues, two (2) of those which are novel issues and all which have been preserved for appeal with the PCR Court's Final Order.

The Petitioner was shocked and quite upset that Attorney DuRant omitted these issues which he took great pains to ensure were presented to and preserved by the PCR Court's Final Order.

After several attempts to confer his desire that no preserved issues be waived or abandoned, and after sending materials and documents to Attorney DuRant which support the merits of his arguments and beliefs, Attorney DuRant wrote the Petitioner and informed him that she would not make any effort to raise these issues.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

Wherefore, based on the fact that the Petitioner has not knowingly, voluntarily and intelligently agreed to waive or abandon any issues preserved within the PCR Court's Final Order, but rather, the decision to waive or abandon the issues preserved was made by an appointed appellate defense attorney without the benefit of Petitioner's input and consultation prior to the filing of the actual Petition for Writ Of Certiorari, the Petitioner is compelled by circumstances beyond his control to make this Motion in order to ensure that all issues having merit are raised and exhausted.

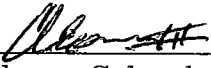
Further, unless this Court grants this Motion, the Petitioner will become trapped within this State's "hybrid representation" barrier that will act against the Petitioner's substantive and procedural due process right toward a meaningful opportunity for review of his preserved claims through presentment to the State's highest court.

Therefore, the Petitioner respectfully moves this Honorable Court to grant this Motion To Proceed Pro Se, to develop and present a new or amended Petition for Writ of Certiorari that includes and presents the meritorious issues preserved through the PCR Court's Final Order.

The Petitioner also request that the Appellate Defense Office be Ordered to remain associated with the Petitioner for the sole purpose of copying, binding, filing and serving the new or amended petition developed by the Petitioner.

The Appendix compiled by Attorney DuRant may be supplemented as necessary to support the Petitioner's developed arguments after this Motion To Relieve Counsel is granted.

Submitted this 24th day of July, 2018.

S/ 
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The Petitioner, Alonzo C. Jeter, III, certifies that he has served his *Motion To Relieve Counsel And Request For Leave To Proceed Pro Se* upon all parties required by Rule to be served, by depositing a true copy of the same in the U.S Mail postage paid (by and through Perry Correctional Institution's Legal Mail System) addressed as follows:

LaNelle Canty DuRant
S.C. Commission on Indigent Defense
Division of Appellate Defense
P O Box 11589
Columbia, South Carolina 29211-1589
29211

The Honorable Alan Wilson
AAG – Julie Coleman
S.C. Attorney General
P O Box 11549
Columbia, South Carolina

SWORN to and Subscribed before me
this 24 day of July, 2018

Tamara Conwell (L.S.)

Notary Public for South Carolina

My Commission Expires: ~~My Commission Expires~~
September 25, 2023

S/ Alonzo
Alonzo C. Jeter, III, #282902
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On this 24 day of July, 2018

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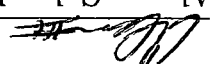
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