

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA ) IN THE COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS  
COUNTY OF Horry ) OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

) Docket No. 2018GS2603875

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )

) AFFIDAVIT ATTENDANT TO APPEAL

-VS-

) FROM GUILTY PLEA

DAESHAUN SHAMMOND PAGE, )  
DEFENDANT. )

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PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME, Melinda Allyson Knowles, who being  
duly sworn, deposes and says:

Per Appellate Rule 203(B)(iv) regarding an appeal from a guilty plea I hereby  
attest to the following:

1. Defendant was charged with Possession of Marijuana with Intent to Distribute (§ 44-53-0370(b)(2)).
2. Defendant qualified as indigent and was referred to the 15th Circuit Public Defender's Office. Due to the existence of a conflict of interest in the 15th Circuit Public Defender's Office, Defendant's case was referred to me. I was appointed to represent Defendant on April 26, 2018.

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3. Defendant's plea was qualified by the Court and accepted on October 15, 2018. Defendant entered an Alford Plea to Possession of Marijuana with Intent to Distribute, Docket # 2018GS2603875, for a recommendation by the State of a two-year prison sentence. At that time, Defendant also entered guilty pleas to Docket # 2018GS2603879 for the charge of Failure to Stop for a ~~Stop Light~~ 1st offense, and Docket # 2018GS2603876 for Unlawful Carrying of a Pistol. As part of the plea negotiations, the State dismissed Docket # 2018GS2603877 for Possession of Stolen Pistol and Docket # 2018GS2603878 for Unlawful Possession of Pistol.

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4. According to § 44-053-0370(b)(2), C.D.R. Code Section 0186, the penalty for Possession of Marijuana with Intent to Distribute is no more than (5) five years and/or not more than \$5,000, and this crime is classified as a Class F felony.

5. On October 15, 2018, Defendant entered an Alford plea to Docket # 2018GS2603875 and was sentenced to two (2) years in prison with credit given for any time served by the presiding plea judge, Judge Steven H. John.

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6. During Judge John's qualification of the Defendant, Defendant was informed of his right to appeal and that such appeal must be done within ten (10) days of the Court's acceptance of the plea (pursuant to Appellate Rule 203 (B)(iv)).

7. This appeal is tendered solely at the request of the Defendant pursuant to

Appellate Rule 203 (B)(iv)), as defense counsel is unaware of independent legal grounds for appeal that existed at the time of entry of Defendant's guilty plea.

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Respectfully Submitted,

*Melinda Allyson Knowles*

Signature of Affiant: Melinda Allyson Knowles

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED TO before me this 23rd Day of October 2018.

*Kathryn C. Figgie*  
Notary Public for the State of South Carolina

My commission expires on: 05/16/2022

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