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Mr. Baraka Ramos, #0276954
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1516 Old Gilliard Road
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Re: Baraka Ramos v. The State, 2011-CP-26-03895
Appellate Case No. 2012-212095

Dear Mr. Ramos:

This Court has received your petition for a writ of certiorari. Since appellate review in a post-conviction relief case is commenced by serving and filing a notice of appeal under Rule 243 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules (SCACR), your petition for a writ of certiorari has been construed as a notice of appeal.

For this matter to proceed, you will need to provide this office with the following within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter:

- (1) A copy of the conditional order of dismissal issued in this matter.
- (2) A proof of service showing that a copy of the notice of appeal has been served on the counsel for the State. The proof of service should be substantially in the form shown in the attachment to this letter.
- (3) The date on which you received written notice of entry of the final order dated March 28, 2012.

(4) The explanation required by Rule 243(c), SCACR. That rule states: "If the lower court has determined that the post-conviction relief action is barred as successive or being untimely under the statute of limitations, the petitioner must, at the time the notice of appeal is filed, provide an 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. If the petitioner fails to make a sufficient showing, the notice of appeal may be dismissed."

This 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/HTMLFiles/2007-08-13-02.htm. 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.

Very truly yours,



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Enclosure

cc: Christina J. Catoe, Esquire