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November 7, 2018

V. Claire Allen, Deputy Clerk  
South Carolina Court of Appeals  
1220 Senate Street  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

RE: State vs. Travis Gathers  
Appellate Case No. 2018-001727

Dear Deputy Allen:

I am in receipt of your letter dated October 29, 2018, concerning a Notice of Appeal being filed late in the above-captioned matter. I did not file a Notice of Appeal and in all candor an appeal in this matter would be frivolous. Mr. Gathers went to trial in August of this year on charges of Armed Robbery, Possession of a Weapon During the Commission of a Violent Crime, and Possession With Intent to Distribute Cocaine. We asked the jury to acquit him of the Armed Robbery and Weapon Charge and only find him guilty of Simple Possession of Cocaine which is exactly what they did. After the trial I discussed with Mr. Gathers that we would not be filing an appeal because we got exactly what we asked for and there were no issues to appeal. He agreed.

Today I spoke to a very helpful person in your office named Jacqueline who explained that the Notice of Appeal was filed pro se. It was explained to me that in order to extricate myself from this ridiculous situation I would have to write the Court and asked to be relieved. Please consider this

**Bryson J. Barrowclough  
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letter as my request to be relieved of further representation of Mr. Gathers for Indictment Number 2017-GS-46-04786.

If I can be of any further assistance in this matter, please feel free to call me at 803-627-0237. Thank you for your consideration in this matter,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bryson Barrowclough", with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Bryson Barrowclough  
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