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S.C. SUPREME COURT

Ms. Donna Boyd  
PO Box 1168  
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Re: Your Case

Dear Ms. Boyd:

We understand from your letter that you do not want our office to represent you on your post-conviction relief (PCR) appeal, and for that reason you refused to fill out the affidavit of indigency. Consequently, we cannot screen you for indigency, and we therefore cannot represent you in your PCR appeal.

You should understand that representing yourself on appeal is a very dangerous and a bad idea. You are not a lawyer and the Supreme Court will hold you responsible for following all the rules of court just as if you were an attorney. If you still want to represent yourself on appeal you should write the Supreme Court and let the Court know you have been advised it is a dangerous thing to do, and a bad idea. Nonetheless, you reject that advice and want to represent yourself. Conversely, it would be wise for you to retain counsel for your PCR appeal.

Please understand that there are strict time guidelines for the appeal, so you should act immediately.

Sincerely,

Robert M. Dudek  
Chief Appellate Defender

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cc: Supreme Court  
Taylor Smith, Esquire