

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM CHARLESTON COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas

J. C. Nicholson, Jr, Circuit Court Judge
Trial Court Case No. 2017-CP-10-03226

Appellate Case No. 2017-002621

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John Gilbert Singletary,..... Appellant,

v.

The State,Respondent.

MOTION TO BE RELIEVED AS COUNSEL

Current counsel for Appellant, Michael D. McMullen respectfully moves this Honorable Court to grant his Motion to be Relieved as Counsel for Appellant. The Appellant discharged the undersigned by e-mail dated July 16, 2019, two days after counsel served the Final Record on Appeal on Counsel for Respondent and one day after he filed the Final Record on Appeal with this Court.

In accordance with SCACR 1.16 (a)(3), *inter alia*, the undersigned believes his withdrawal is required under the present circumstances, and that such withdrawal can be accomplished without material adverse effect on the interests of the client.

The undersigned served by mail the Record on Appeal on Counsel for Respondent (with a copy e-mailed to the Appellant) on July 14, 2019. The undersigned notified Appellant, on July 15, 2019, all that remained to be done was compiling the Final Brief then serving it on opposing counsel and filing it with the Court. At the same time, in the same e-mail, the undersigned informed Appellant that the deadline for serving and filing the Final Brief would be twenty (20) days after July 14, 2019.

The following day, Appellant discharged the undersigned, who again reminded Appellant of the deadline. The undersigned was led to believe the Appellant would be filing pleadings with the Court notifying the Court of this action, and has reminded the Appellant of the necessity to do this; however, as of this date, it appears that has not occurred.

Wherefore, the undersigned respectfully requests this Honorable Court grant this Motion to relieve Counsel for the Appellant.

Respectfully submitted,



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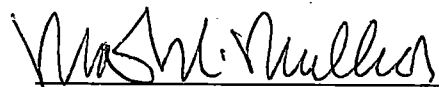
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on July 23, 2019, I served a copy of the foregoing Motion to Be Relieved as Counsel on counsel of record for Respondent by depositing a copy of the same in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to Robin L. Jackson, Esq., Senn Legal, Post Office Box 12279, Charleston, South Carolina 29422, as well as upon the Appellant, John Gilbert Singletary, 4357 Waterview Circle, North Charleston, SC 29418.



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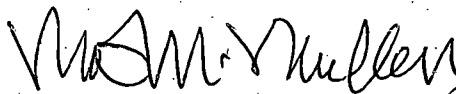
Dear Madame Clerk:

Enclosed please find the following:

- (1) Counsel for Appellant's Motion to Be Relieved, and
- (2) Certificate of Service.

As stated in the Certificate of Service, I have served the Respondent, through counsel on July 23, 2019, and have served the Appellant directly, both by U.S. Mail with postage prepaid. Thank you for your assistance.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael D. McMullen
Attorney for the Appellant

cc: Robin L. Jackson, Esquire
John G. Singletary