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Bob,

Thank you for copying me on this extension request. It appears that the family is going forward with hiring me for this direct appeal. I have not yet been retained, however they have taken the responsible step of getting me written confirmation that the funds for my retainer have been sent to me.

Yesterday I was advised that SCDC has taken the step of stopping all Inmate Transportation for the next 30 days due to efforts to limit exposure of the inmate population to the coronavirus. I anticipate that the next step will be to eliminate visitation at all the institutions in all but emergency situations. For that reason, I don't anticipate being able to visit with Mr. Mungin any time soon to personally verify his desire that I represent him. For now, I am sending him a copy of my professional bio and a form for him to sign to verify his wish to be represented by me. I am advised by his family that he does want me to be his lawyer, however it is my custom to always get signed documentation of that fact when my fees are being paid by a third party.

For now, I will go ahead and send Mr. Mungin the consent petition for substitution of counsel for his signature in addition to my form for cases involving a third party payor. As quickly as I get those back, I will send it over to your office for your signature and to the AG's Office for William Blich's. Hopefully I can get the signed consent petition for substitution of counsel signed by all the parties and in to the court before there would be a necessity for you to request a second extension in this matter.

Thanks again Bob.

Tara

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 13, 2020, at 9:09 AM, Kellner, Haley <hkellner@sccid.sc.gov> wrote:

Clerk's Office
South Carolina Court of Appeals

Re: The State v. Charles E. Mungin, III, Appellate Case No. 2019-001614

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

The Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the above case are due to be served and filed with the Court today. However, due to my heavy work-load, I am requesting a thirty-day extension in which to serve and file this brief.

By copy of this email, I am informing Melody J. Brown, Esquire, of the Attorney General's office of my request.

I would also note that I have been informed by Tara Shurling, Esquire, that she may be retained by the client's family to handle this appeal. If and when this occurs, a substitution of counsel form will be forwarded to this Court.

Sincerely,

Robert M. Dudek
Chief Appellate Defender

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