

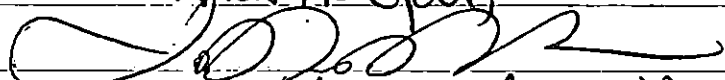
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Dear V. Clave Allen, SC Court of Appeals

I am writing to state the reasoning why I should have my sentence appealed. When I received my plea offer back on Feb. 07, 2020 I had many questions about it & what I was being offered. I tried contacting my lawyer, Kia Wilson everyday from the day I received it. I called daily many times leaving messages, writing Public Defender forms, requesting through the Kiosk to speak w/ her, & I even wrote her personally asking my questions & concerns. I had to respond to the plea by Feb. 28, 2020. Not once did I see my lawyer in that time nor did I get any messages concerning my question. I met w/ my lawyer once & that was January 29th, 2020. When June 8, 2020 came around I was sent to court & still did not speak to my lawyer explaining what my plea was & my other options. While in court it was very difficult to hear what the judge was saying too. I asked him several different times to repeat what he was saying & even had to turn my body to strain my ears to hear what was being said.

have not had anything on my record for 35 yrs until this incident. My Co-defendant who has a more extensive record than I do was offered probation, restitution, & community service. I believe that I should have been offered this as well. But, b/c my lawyer never spoke to me about my Plea I felt that I was being pushed into a corner & forced to take a plea that I did not understand. I was poorly represented & I feel as if I should be given a second chance. I am truly sorry & regret all that had happened & have learned from my mistakes. I can promise you that if you could find it in your heart to re-open my case & to give me probation, restitution, & community service that my face will NEVER be seen in the South Carolina General Sessions Court ever again.

Thank you,


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