

<p>STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA</p> <p>The State of South Carolina,</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Respondent,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vs.</p> <p>Glenda Ruth Fuson,</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Appellant.</p>	<p>SOUTH CAROLINA COURT OF APPEALS</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Appellate Case No: 2020-001459</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>MOTION TO RECONSIDER</u></b> <b><u>DISMISSAL OF APPEAL</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>RECEIVED</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">NOV 16 2020</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>SC Court of Appeals</b></p>
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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-named Appellant, Glenda Ruth Fuson, by and through the undersigned counsel, moves before this Honorable Court following the receipt of this Court's decision as was outlined in the Order dated November 12, 2020. Appellant is requesting reconsideration of this Court's decision as Appellant would argue that this notice of appeal was timely filed.

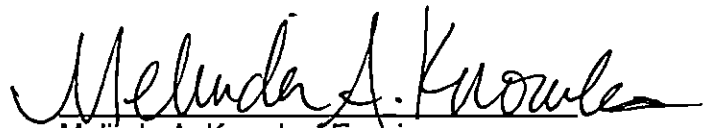
Appellant's argument is based upon the following: Appellant entered a guilty plea before the Honorable William H. Seals on September 1, 2020. At the conclusion of this plea, Appellant received a ten-year sentence, however, that sentence was suspended upon Appellant's participation in our county's Mental Health Court program. Unfortunately, Appellant failed to appear for the first Mental Health Court session and a bench warrant was issued for her arrest. Shortly thereafter, Appellant was arrested on new charges at which time this bench warrant was served upon her and a Mental Health Court Termination Hearing was scheduled. This termination hearing was held on October 26, 2020 before the Honorable Aaron Butler and Appellant's ten-year sentence was activated at that time. A copy of the Order issued at the Mental Health Court Termination Hearing is attached and marked as Exhibit A.

After Appellant's sentence was activated by Judge Butler on October 26, 2020, Appellant requested that an appeal be filed on her behalf. The Notice of Appeal was then drafted along with

all necessary documentation and submitted to this Honorable Court. Receipt of such documentation verified by the Court's official stamp indicating receipt on October 30, 2020. Therefore, Appellant would argue that the notice of appeal was timely filed as it was served upon the Court (3) days after Appellant's sentence was activated – well within the (10) days specified within Rule 203 (b)(2) of South Carolina Appellate Court Rules. Appellant respectfully requests that this Court reconsider its previous ruling in this matter and reopen this case.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned prays for a ruling that is just and proper allowing Appellant to exercise the right of appellate review of this case.

Respectfully Submitted,

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**EXHIBIT A**

**COPY OF ORDER ISSUED ON OCTOBER 26, 2020**





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