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Re: State v. Charles Taylor
Appellate Case No.: 2020-001582

To Whom it May Concern:

Per your instructions, enclosed is a letter to Mr. Charles Taylor informing him that he must provide a written explanation of appealable issues to the Court, a copy of the Rule 203(d)(1)(b)(iv) Certification, and the letter I received from you. All of these documents and a stamped and addressed envelope have been mailed to Mr. Taylor.

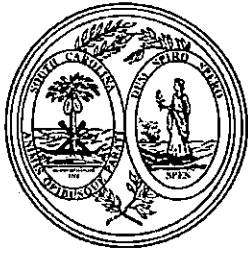
Should you have any questions or need anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosure(s)



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Dear Mr. Taylor:

This letter is to inform you that, per your request, an Notice of Appeal of your guilty plea has been filed with the South Carolina Court of Appeals. Because, as we previously discussed, I was unable to identify any appealable issues with your guilty plea, I was required to provide the court with a Rule 203(d)(1)(b)(iv) Certification which is essentially a letter explaining this information. It is enclosed with this letter

Also enclosed is a letter from the Court of Appeals. As you will read, you have 20 days from the transmittal of my letter to provide a written explanation of any issues preserved for appeal. I have included an addressed and stamped envelope for your convenience.

Very truly yours,

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF GREENVILLE)
THE STATE)
v.)
CHARLES TAYLOR,)
DEFENDANT.)

IN THE COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS
THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Indictment Nos.: 2020GS2301423;
2019GS2306791

Rule 203(d)(1)(b)(iv) Certification

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Pursuant to SC Rule 203(D)(1)(b)(iv), Defendant would show that the sentence imposed is unreasonable. With regards to indictment 2019GS2306791, Defendant was sentenced to ten (10) years in the South Carolina Department of Corrections (SCDC) suspended on credit for 414 days of time served and probation for two (2) years with the special conditions that Defendant comply with Probation domestic violence protocol, have no contact with the victim, and complete a 26 week Batterers Treatment program. It was further ordered that probation could terminate after one (1) year if the Batterers Treatment program was successfully completed. With regards to indictment 2020GS2301423, Defendant was sentenced to three (3) years in the SCDC suspended during probation and that sentence was to run consecutive to the sentence on indictment 2019GS2306791. Defendant communicated to his attorney that he demands an appeal.
Appealable

Defendant's Attorney is filing this appeal pursuant to his ethical duty to his client, and Defendant's constitutional right to appeal. See Frazer v. South Carolina, 430 F.3d 696, 706 (4th Cir. 2005) ("A defendant has a right to pursue a direct appeal, even if frivolous, which counsel must assist as 'an active advocate in behalf of his client.'") (quoting Anders v. California, 386 U.S. 738, 744 (1967)).

Defendant informed his attorney that he does not wish to have a "serious" offense on his record. Despite being counseled that this was likely not an appealable issue, Defendant insisted that he wanted an appeal filed on his behalf. Defense counsel can provide no material issues to appeal.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: November 20, 2020



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December 4, 2020

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Re: The State v. Charles Taylor
Appellate Case No. 2020-001582

Dear Counsel:

This Court has received your explanation for appealing.

Please forward your explanation to your client, along with a statement that your client has twenty (20) days from the date of your transmittal letter to inform this Court in writing of any arguable basis that there are issues preserved for appeal. Please provide your client with the Court's address:

South Carolina Court of Appeals
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Please send your letter to your client within ten (10) days, with a copy to this Court, or this appeal will be dismissed.

Very truly yours,


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cc: Judith Mary Munson, Esquire
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