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Mr. Matthew Sherrod Swilley, Esquire  
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Re: The State v. Austin E. Gardner, III  
Appellate Case No. 2020-001623

Dear Counsel:

The Court has received your correspondence from December 16, 2020 clarifying this conviction was from a jury verdict. Please disregard our letter dated December 16, 2020, requesting a guilty plea explanation. The transcript must be ordered thirty (30) days from the date of this letter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jenny A. Kitchings". The signature is fluid and cursive.

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