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Re: The State v. Niklaus A. Bennett
Appellate Case No. 2021-000583

Dear Counsel:

Upon reviewing your client's notice of appeal, the following deficiency or deficiencies have been noted under the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules (SCACR), and any deficiency must be corrected within ten (10) days of the date of this letter, or this appeal will be dismissed:

- A proof of service has not been provided. You must serve and file a proof of service substantially in the format shown by Form 7 in Appendix C to part II of the SCACR.
- The document has not been signed as required by Rule 267(b), SCACR.
- You must provide proof that the notice of appeal was filed with the Greenville Clerk of Court.
- Notice of Appeal is not in proper format as required by Rule 267(a) SCACR.

In addition, since this is an appeal from a guilty plea, nolo contendere plea, or plea pursuant to *Alford*, Rule 203(d)(1)(B)(iv) of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules requires you to provide "a written explanation showing that there is an issue which can be reviewed on appeal. This explanation should identify the issue(s)

to be raised on appeal and the factual basis for the issue(s) including how the issue(s) was raised below and the ruling of the lower court on that issue(s). If an issue was not raised to and ruled on by the lower court, the explanation shall include argument and citation to legal authority showing how this issue can be reviewed on appeal."

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Catherine J. Fanning, deputy". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "C".

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