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SC Court of Appeals

The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
Clerk of Court, S.C. Court of Appeals
1220 Senate Street
Columbia, S.C. 29201

Re: State v. Marvin Donte Bryan | Appellate Case No. 2017-001468

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

This Court granted Mr. Bryan's motion to remand his case to the Charleston County Court of General Sessions to reconstruct portions of his trial on November 8, 2018. In accordance with this Court's order, I am providing this Court with a written update every thirty days until the matter is resolved.

As previously mentioned, the attorneys in this matter have stipulated that some of the bench conferences do not need to be reconstructed. Counsel in this case met last year to discuss the possibility of having a reconstruction hearing in the near future. We then determined the availability of witnesses and forwarded that information to Judge Jefferson. The parties hope to have a status conference with the judge in order to discuss the logistics of a reconstruction hearing. The South Carolina Department of Corrections confirmed to me that it has videoconferencing capabilities at its facilities if necessary. I recently spoke with opposing counsel, newly appointed to the case, regarding this matter. We hope to take some action on this case soon.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

s/ Taylor D. Gilliam
Appellate Defender

cc: Scott Matthews, Esq.
Marvin Bryan