

The Supreme Court of South Carolina

In the Matter of Marie Assa'ad-Faltas, Respondent.
Appellate Case No. 2013-000862

ORDER

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Respondent asserts that she is indigent and asks this Court to appoint counsel to represent her for the purpose of filing a petition for rehearing in this matter. The request is granted and Tristan Michael Shaffer, Esquire, of Lexington, South Carolina, is hereby appointed to represent respondent for the limited purpose of filing a petition for rehearing regarding this Court's order of June 28, 2013.

Any contacts between the respondent and Mr. Shaffer shall be subject to the restrictions contained in Judge Casey Manning's order of June 5, 2013, issued in 2013-CP-40-3522 and -3525. A copy of this order is enclosed.

Further, to allow Mr. Shaffer time to prepare the petition for rehearing, the time to serve and file any petition for rehearing under Rule 221 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules is hereby extended until August 6, 2013. Any petition for rehearing must be actually received by this Court on or before that date. Further, since this matter started as a criminal contempt proceeding, a copy of the petition for rehearing shall be served on the Office of the Attorney General.

Respondent is reminded that the restrictions contained in this Court's order of June 28, 2013, are currently in effect.


C.J.
FOR THE COURT

Columbia, South Carolina
July 22, 2013

Enclosure

cc: Office of the Attorney General
Tristan Michael Shaffer, Esquire
Dr. Marie Assa'ad-Faltas

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
)
COUNTY OF RICHLAND)
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
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v.)
)
MARIE FALTAS,)
Defendant-Appellant.)
_____)

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Warrant No.s L066971, 201310

ORDER APPOINTING COUNSEL

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JEANETTE W. McBRIDE
C.C.P. & G.S.
RICHLAND COUNTY
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This matter comes before the court on motion to appoint counsel for the above captioned defendant-appellant and her appeal of two convictions from the City of Columbia Municipal Court. This court finds that under the circumstances of this case it is appropriate to appoint counsel in this matter. This court therefore appoints Tristan Shaffer, Esq. to represent the defendant-appellant.

Additionally, based on prior reported conduct of defendant-appellant, and prior orders limiting conduct by her, this court finds that it is appropriate to set the following restrictions on her communication with Mr. Shaffer:

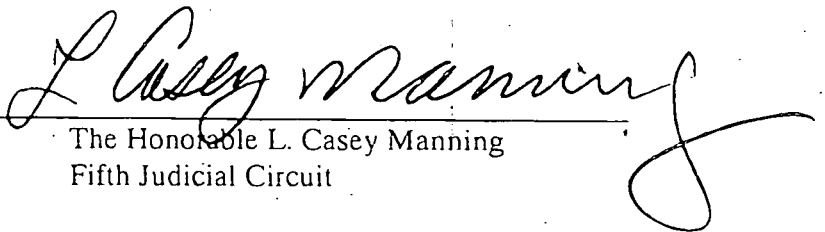
- 1- Ms. Faltas is not to appear at his home or office unless specifically invited by him in writing prior to the visit.
- 2- She is not to call him unless the call is specifically invited by him in writing prior to the call; this includes calls that are not answered.
- 3- There should be no contact, or attempt to contact, any person from Mr. Shaffer's personal life, or any of his other clients or former clients.
- 4- All communications to Mr. Shaffer's office must be in writing through U.S. Mail, e-mail, or fax to his office only; and Ms. Faltas must respect that he has other clients to whom he must devote time and attention, by allowing reasonable time to respond to her communications.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Tristan Shaffer, Esq. is appointed to represent Marie Faltas in the above appeal.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Marie Faltas is Ordered to abide by the conditions set forth in this Order and the Order of The Supreme Court of South Carolina dated October 24, 2012 which forbids her from contacting any judge, law clerk, or clerk of court by telephone, email or any other form of electronic communications.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that counsel shall report violations of this Order to the court, and that such reporting shall not constitute a basis for relieving counsel.

IT IS SO ORDERED!


The Honorable L. Casey Manning
Fifth Judicial Circuit

Columbia, SC
June 5, 2013.