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APPEAL FROM LANCASTER COUNTY
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LANCASTER, SC

J. Ernest Kinard, Jr., Circuit Court Judge

Case No(s): 2013-GS-29-35, 34, 36, 37

Memo
The State of South Carolina,

Respondent.

v.

Aaron Donaldson,

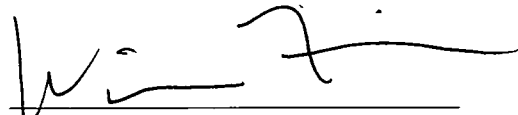
Appellant.

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Aaron Donaldson appeals his conviction and sentence in this case. The sentence was imposed by the Honorable J. Ernest Kinard, Jr. on April 15, 2013.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT this appeal shall be upon a case and exceptions to be served upon you and filed hereafter in accordance with the rules of the court and laws in such cases made and provided.

Date: April 18, 2013



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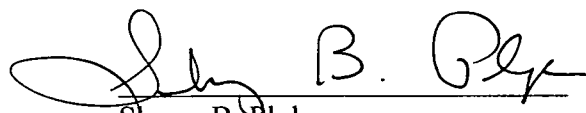
Aaron Donaldson,

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served the Notice of Appeal on the Respondents by depositing a copy of it in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, on April 18, 2013, addressed to , William J. Nowicki, Assistant Solicitor, Post Office Box 607, Lancaster, SC 29721.

Date: April 18, 2013


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STATEMENT OF APPELLANT'S COUNSEL
REGARDING REQUEST FOR APPEAL
OF GUILTY PLEA

VS.)

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Aaron Donaldson,)

Defendant.)
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Appellant's Statement of Facts

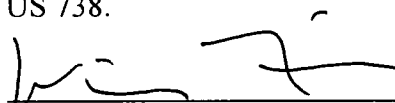
The defendant was charged in Lancaster County General Sessions Court with one count of Armed Robbery from an incident occurring in Lancaster County on or about October 19, 2012. The defendant was charged with entering a financial institution in the town of Kershaw in Lancaster County and holding an employee of the facility at gun point while demanding money. The defendant then exited the location, got into a vehicle and left. He was later apprehended and charged with Armed Robbery.

The defendant, after consultation with his attorney, agreed to enter a plea of guilty to the charge of Armed Robbery for a negotiated sentence of 10 years in the South Carolina Department of Corrections. The J. Ernest Kinard, Jr. accepted the plea and the negotiated sentence of 10 years.

Issues on Appeal

Subsequent to his guilty plea, the defendant requested his counsel to file an appeal regarding this plea. Pursuant to Rule 203(b)(2) and(d) SCACR, defendant's counsel is filing this appeal.

However, after a review of the facts of this case and guilty plea, defendant's counsel finds the defendant's request for an appeal of these pleas to be without merit and respectfully request to be relieved as counsel pursuant to Anders v. California 386 US 738.



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**SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
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April 18, 2013

The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals
P.O. Box 11629
Columbia, SC 29211

RE: State of South Carolina, Respondent vs. Aaron Donaldson, Appellant

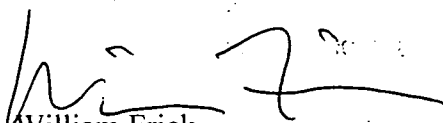
Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Please be advised that with this letter I am filing:

1. Notice of Appeal and two (2) copies; and
2. Proof of Service of Notice of Appeal and two (2) copies
3. Statement of Case from a Guilty Plea two (2) copies

Please return clocked copies of the Notice of Appeal and Proof of Service in the envelope provided.

Yours very truly,



William Frick
Attorney for the Appellant

Enclosures

cc: William J. Nowicki, Assistant Solicitor (w/ enclosures)

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NOTICE TO APPELLATE DEFENSE

To: Division of Appellate Defense/Office of Attorney General

From: C Sineath

Date: 4/24/2013

Re: Notice of Filing of Notice of Appeal

Case Name: The State v. Aaron Donaldson

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County: Lancaster

Date of Filing: 4/22/2013

Filed by: William Frick, Esq.

Judge: The Honorable J. Ernest Kinard, Jr.

Hearing Date: 4/15/2013

Guilty Plea: Yes