

COURT OF APPEALS OF GEORGIA

RETURN NOTICE

January 22, 2015

To: Mr. Terrence T. Smith, Jr., GDC1271138, Hays State Prison, Post Office Box 668,
Trion, Georgia 30753

Case Number: _____ Lower Court: _____ County Superior Court

Court of Appeals Case Number and Style: A14A2205. Terrence Tyrone Smith, Jr. v. The State

Your document(s) is (are) being returned for the following reason(s).

- There is no case pending in the Court of Appeals of Georgia under your name.**
- A Notice of Appeal is filed with the clerk of the trial court and not with the Court of Appeals of Georgia. See OCGA §5-6-37.** Once the trial court clerk has received and filed the Notice of Appeal, the trial court clerk will prepare a copy of the record and transcripts as designated by the Notice of Appeal and transmit them to this Court. Once the Notice of Appeal is docketed in the Court of Appeals of Georgia, a Docketing Notice with the Briefing Schedule and other important information is mailed to counsel for the parties or directly to the parties, if the parties are representing themselves. You do not need to provide this Court with a copy of the Notice of Appeal you filed with the superior court.
- The Notice of Appeal must include a proper Certificate of Service.** A Certificate of Service must show service to the opposing counsel and contain the counsel's full name and complete mailing address. The opposing counsel must actually be served with a copy of your filing.
- An Application for Writ of Habeas Corpus should be filed in the superior court of the county in which you claim you are illegally detained.** An appeal from a denial of an Application for Writ of Habeas Corpus is to the Supreme Court and not the Court of Appeals.
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- Your appeal was disposed by opinion (order) on _____.** The Court of Appeals _____
_____ The remittitur issued on _____
divesting this Court of jurisdiction. The case decision is therefore final.
- Your mailing/documents indicate that you intended to file your papers in another court rather than the Court of Appeals of Georgia.** The address of the Clerk of the _____ is: _____
- As long as you are represented by an attorney, you cannot file pleadings on your own behalf. Your attorney must file a Motion to Withdraw as Counsel and it must be granted, before you can file your own pleadings in this Court. Our records list Akil Secret, The Secret Firm, P.C., 44 Broad Street, N.W., Suite 507, Atlanta, Georgia 30303 as your attorney of record.**
- A request for an out-of-time appeal should be made to the trial court from which you are appealing.** If your motion is denied by the trial court, you can file an appeal of that decision by filing a Notice of Appeal with the clerk of the superior court.

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Georgia Court of appeals. My reason for this letter is to notify the Court of my need (very important) to amend a few things to the brief already submitted in my case. I pray that my case is not already under review, but if so; then my question will be. Is it too late for me to amend to the brief previously submitted via my attorney Mr. Akil Secret. I had received a letter from the Court in response to a letter I'd wrote asking the status of my case and was told that the Court "had" to make a decision in my case on or before April 14th, 2015. I say that to understand if I could ask for an extended amount of time to prepare what i'm wanting to appeal; excuse the word appeal, I meant amend. If for any reason at all my request can't be granted; I pray to God above that my transcripts (trial) be reviewed as references to "everything" inside my brief and also refer to my transcripts for arguments made under myself being denied effective assistance of Counsel. This is important because my attorney failed to provide the Court of appeals testimony by briefing testimony made via my trial lawyer Ms. Skell & a material witness Maurice Trammel during my motion for new trial hearing and my transcripts (trial) is all I have rely on if denied the opportunity to amend to my brief.

God Bless!

Terrence L. Smith Jr.