

COURT OF APPEALS OF GEORGIA

RETURN NOTICE

February 12, 2015

To: Mr. Alphonso Wooten, GDC408512 N4, Macon State Prison, Post Office Box 426,
Oglethope, Georgia 31068

Case Number: _____ Lower Court: _____ County Superior Court

Court of Appeals Case Number and Style: _____

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.
- ☐ **An Application for Writ of Mandamus should be filed in the superior court of the county official whose conduct you intend to mandate.** An appeal from a denial of an Application for Writ of Mandamus is to the Supreme Court and not the Court of Appeals.
- ☐ **Your appeal was disposed by opinion (order) on _____.** The Court of Appeals _____
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: _____
- ☐ **If an attorney has been appointed for you and you are concerned with the representation provided by that attorney, you should address that issue to the trial court.** 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.
- ☒ **An improper Certificate of Service accompanied your document(s). Your Certificate of Service did not include the complete name and mailing address of each opposing party. You should provide a copy of your filing to the District Attorney and include his/her name and address on your Certificate of Service.**

Feb. 2, 2015

Alphonso Wooten
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Oglethorpe, GA 31068

RE: EXTENSION OF
TIME TO FILE

Clerk of Court, Georgia Ct. of Appeals

Atl., GA 30334

Clerk:

Sir I am writing to request a 30 day extension in which to file my direct appeal from Superior Court Judge F. Foster Reed's final order denying my Motion for New Trial. Said order was filed on 1/26/15, I received it today.

My case is a judicial nightmare. The trial ^{court} violated OCGA § 15-6-21, denied petitioner appellate counsel and has refused to provide the complete record to me—specifically not transcript of voir dire, motion for new trial transcript and other requested documents.

I receive a mere 30 minutes a week on the prison's law library computer. Said library does not have an up-to-date ^{SET OF} rules of your court.

I had to file a Motion to Compel in order to get the Final Order, twenty two months after the hearing.

My appointed appellate counsel, MS Melissa Lawrence abandoned me and never informed me that she had dropped her representation of me. Ms Lawrence responded to a bar grievance I filed and

in that response I learned of her leaving the case in September, 2013. I received the enclosed letter from attorney Chris Schneider but never heard anything else.

I do not have a complete record and am abating this Court of that now.

I respectfully submit this letter for extension of time on this the second day of February, 2015.

Alphonso Wooten

ALPHONSO WOOTEN, pro se

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Oglethorpe, GA 31068

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Alphonso Wooten, swear that I have mailed a copy of my letter for an extension of time in which to file my appeal from the denial of my motion for new trial via the prison mail mail box on this the 2nd day of Feb. 2015, addressed to the clerk of court, 47 Trinity Ave, Ste 501, ATL, GA 30334.

October 20, 2014

Alphonso Wooten (408512)
Macon State Prison
P.O. Box 426
Oglethorpe, Georgia 31068

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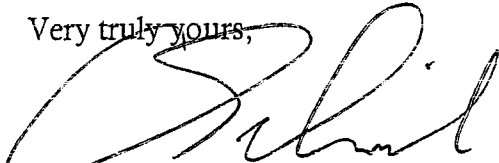
OCT 27 2014

Mailroom
Macon S.P.

Dear Mr. Wooten,

As of October 20, 2014 the contract to handle your appeal between my firm and GPDSC has not been finalized. I anticipate said contract to be finalized in November. I will contact you via standard U.S. mail as soon as the contract is finalized.

Very truly yours,



Cris Schneider

