

Dec. 13, 2014

To: The Chief Correspondence

GOVERNOR, NIKKI R. HALEY

My name is James A. Gardner and I'm writing to see if I can schedule an interview with you to expose the corruption that goes on within the 14th Judicial Court Circuit of Hampton County, South Carolina.

I'm being held in the Hampton County Detention Center and being charged ^{with (3 counts)} attempted murder, with a \$250,000 bond. These are false accusations but the solicitor, Ellis Murdaugh; Judge Buckner; and my attorney Corey Fleming are all conspiring to convict me unjustly of these charges. Solicitor Murdaugh and Mr. Fleming are close acquaintances of the victims. Further more, Attorney Fleming is a classmate of the victims son. This fact alone poses as a major conflict of interest which I made Judge Buckner aware of.

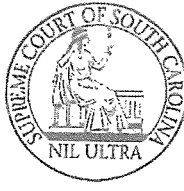
To aide in my defense, I filed for a change of venue to another county, which my lawyer "claims" was denied. I also saw a need to fire my attorney. Judge Buckner denied me that right as well, and I was also unable to get back my retainer fee. According to the judge, ~~we~~ we were suppose to be going to trial right away when I wanted to fire Fleming in May 2014. Its now December 2014, I still haven't been to court ~~nor~~ have I been able to obtain effective council.

The conspiracy starts with the false allegations of me

being in a shoot out with the sheriffs department. I've never shot at the police, I was never shot and there is no concrete evidence to support their claim. Because there was a shooting involved in the initial incident where a woman was shot in the leg and she being friends of the solicitor and my attorney, the whole County conspired to concoct this conspiracy. The fact that I attempted to fire Corey Fleming for ineffective Council also sparked a personal vendetta against me.

All I want is a fair trial and chance to let my voice be heard. With ineffective Council, along with obvious conspiracy and conflict of interest, there is no way that I can be given a fair trial in the County of Hampton in front of this judge, solicitor or my attorney. Under these circumstances I'm already defeated and the citizens of this County have a right to know about the unjust doings of this Court. Please contact me and let me know how soon we can work together on this matter. I'm sixty-seven years old and there's no way that a senior should be treated in this manner. Thank You.

Respectfully Yours
James A. Gardner



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TO: Mr. James Allen Gardner

FROM: Daniel E. Shearouse, Clerk *[Signature]*

DATE: August 21, 2014

This Court has received your recent correspondence.

____ This Court cannot provide legal advice or assistance. Therefore, we will not be able to provide legal advice and you should consult an attorney.

X Since you are represented by counsel in this matter, no action will be taken on your pro se filing. Miller v. State, 388 S.C. 347, 697 S.E.2d 527 (2010); Jones v. State, 348 S.C. 13, 558 S.E.2d 517 (2002); State v. Stuckey, 333 S.C. 56, 508 S.E.2d 564 (1998); Foster v. State, 298 S.C. 306, 379 S.E.2d 907 (1989).

✓ If you believe you have good cause to seek to have your current counsel relieved then you should file a motion in the lower court in which this matter is pending. *Do A Judge have the Right to Tell ME THAT I CANT Fired my Counsel*

X Since you are represented by counsel in this matter, we are forwarding a copy of your letter to counsel for any assistance he/she can give you.

____ Your remedy is in the lower court where this matter is pending.

CC: Cory Howerton Fleming, Esquire (with enclosure)