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Re: State of Utah v. Sandra Bankhead  
Case No. 860012

Dear Chief Justice Hall:

The appellant's attorney in the above entitled case, in harmony with Anders v. California, 386 U.S. 738, 87 S.Ct. 1296, 18 L.Ed.2d 493 (1967), stated that it is his opinion that the issues raised on appeal are not sound and has requested that he be allowed to withdraw. Respondent feels that the brief filed by appellant's counsel is in substantial compliance with the requirements of State v. Clayton, Utah, 639 P.2d 168 (1981) (Nos. 16996 and 17140 decided December 15, 1981).

This office feels that it would be futile to respond to a brief of this nature when likely the only assistance we could lend the Court would be to repeat the statements of the appellant's attorney and perhaps give some light as to the broad area of law surrounding the issues raised in the case.

We feel that this would not benefit the Court, but we are willing to respond to any particular issues or do additional research at the Court's direction if requested.

We would appreciate it if you would accept this letter as a formal response in lieu of filing a brief and either proceed to dismiss the appeal on its merits or in harmony with Anders v. California. If the Court is desirous of having additional input

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from our office in any particular, we would be happy to comply upon direction.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Earl F. Dorius".

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