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Re: State of Minnesota v. Stephen Carl Allwine  
Washington County D.C. File No. 82-CR-17-242  
Pro Se Filing

Dear Ms. Fritz:

Our office was forwarded a copy of the pro se filing by Stephen Allwine in the above-entitled matter. Mr. Allwine has had a prior appeal of his case with the representation of counsel (App. Court File Nos. A18-0846 & A20-1588). Therefore, he is ineligible for appellate public defender services with regard to his current challenge, and we will not be involved in representing him in his recent pro se filing. Thank you.

Sincerely,

*Cathryn Middlebrook*

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c: Peter Orput, Washington County Attorney  
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