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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR DUVAL COUNTY, FLORIDA

GLORIA WILLIAMS,
Defendant,

CASE NO.: 2017-CF-000539

v.

STATE OF FLORIDA,
Plaintiff.

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**MOTION FOR REDUCTION AND / OR
MODIFICATION OF SENTENCE**

COMES NOW, the Defendant, Gloria Williams, *pro- se* and pursuant to Florida Rules of Criminal Procedure 3.800 (c), moves this Honorable Court to grant this Motion for Reduction and / or Modification of sentence based on the following:

JURISDICTION

This Motion for Reduction and /or Modification of Sentence is based on Rule 3.800 (c) that states that “a court may reduce or modify to include any of the provisions of Chapter 948, Florida Statutes, a legal sentence imposed by it *sua sponte*, or upon motion filed within 60 days after the highest State or Federal court to which a timely appeal has been taken under authority of law.” **The Defendant is aware that she is outside of the 60 day time frame;**

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however, she is requesting that this court retain jurisdiction and review this Motion on its merits.

This Motion is given *pro-se* for reconsideration to modify the sentence based on the following:

Honorable Judge Aho,

There are many things I have learned since coming to the Department of Corrections, but the overall lesson of my incarceration has been one of accountability. I know and understand now that there is a ripple effect, that the consequences of my actions are never mine to suffer alone.

I sought relief under your authority in the past, however, in hindsight, I realize that I wasn't ready at that time. So much has changed since then; not only in the prison system, but within myself as well. I have a new perspective on life as a result of my experiences while incarcerated. Rehabilitation within the Department of Corrections comes only to those who sincerely desire and strive for self-betterment and change. I have been nothing if not honest in my efforts to become a better person, and I try very hard to ensure that this is reflected in my every day actions.

I have completed the Horizon Faith and Character Program at the Lowell Correctional Institution-Annex where I was previously housed. I am Presently at Hernando Correctional Institution, the only Faith and Character Based facility for women in the State of Florida, and I am participating in a voluntary faith and character based program. This program consists of two (2) phases and incorporates community service as a large part of the program. I have electively

accumulated community service hours during the process of my self-betterment in this program. I have attended and participated in numerous self-help and betterment classes. I have completed all levels of the overall program, and my goal is to now become certified peer facilitator so that I may help others who are just coming into the facility and need positive direction.

Having completed this program basically translates into attending and participating in the numerous mandatory classes, and performing many service duties toward community service hours. This program is geared toward self-betterment, growth, and the art of giving back to the community at large. From my arrival to the present, the amount of community service hours I have acquired is a testament to my sincere desire for self-betterment and to be accountable to my community. I am also involved in the mentoring program here as well with Mrs. Betty Williams of Fresh Start Ministry in Tampa, Florida.

In addition to the Faith and Character Based Program classes, I am actively pursuing the completion of my Master's degree in Business Administration through correspondence with Adams State University in Alamosa, Colorado.

Through my time and experiences here, it has shown me the importance in giving back to people less fortunate than myself. I realize what the devil meant for bad, God is turning it around for his good. As for my daughter, Kamiyah, and the rest of my family, friends, and community, they are all still very supportive of me. Kamiyah is still a part of my life as is expressed in a letter she wrote (attached), and I always want to do what is in her best interest.

However, for the sake of Kamiyah's relationship with her biological family, I have tried to keep a little distance from her in order to give her the space and time needed to grow with her other family. I wanted to give her the opportunity to build and establish a relationship with her biological mother. What I see happening is Kamiyah is bringing her biological family to South Carolina to introduce them and to spend time with my mother (her nana), her sisters, nieces and nephews. Everyone is coming together to give Kamiyah the best of both worlds and to bring her life into fulfillment. I believe the Lord is moving in her and bringing everyone together to be the family she wants, needs and deserves.

I have a myriad of responsibilities when I go home, but I just want to take care of my family and to once again be a productive member of society.

I understand that I was sentenced to a prison term of 18 years, however, I have been a model inmate, which is evidenced by my institutional record. I have received no disciplinary reports whatsoever, and I have maintained an above satisfactory rating by both security and in my work assignment performance issued once a month by the Department of Corrections. I understand that this in no way mollifies my actions, however, I ask this Court for mercy and grace in considering modifying/reducing my sentence to a split sentence of 9 years Department of Corrections to be followed by a term of 9 years on felony probation. I can and will adhere to any stipulations and/or conditions that this court deems appropriate.

WHEREFORE, in light of the above stated facts, the Defendant, Gloria Williams, prays this Court will enter an Order granting this Motion for Reduction and/or Modification of Sentence in the above styled cause and commute her sentence to a split sentence term of 9 years Department of Corrections to be followed by 9 years on felony probation, or whatever relief this Court deems appropriate.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gloria Williams
Gloria Williams DC# J61414

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HERBY CERTIFY that the foregoing document was furnished to **Duval County Clerk of Court**, 501 West Adams Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32202 for filing, and one true copy was furnished to **Office of the State Attorney, Duval County, 311 West Monroe Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32202**, P.O. Box 399, Ft. Myers, Florida 33902-0399 by First Class U.S. Mail after I placed the same in the hand(s) of a prison employee on this 2 day of December 2020, with adequate prepaid postage fixed to each envelope for processing through approved outgoing legal mail channels.

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To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Kamayah Mobley. I am writing this letter in support of my mother, Gloria Williams, I would like to make it very clear that she is my mother. She raised me, and not only provided for my needs, but she loved me unconditionally. I had a well-rounded life; and I am an independent, college educated, and deeply spiritual person, because of all my mom gave me. I am fully aware of how our lives came to be, what they are, and how my mom came to be my mom. I have met my birth parents, and I am grateful to have met my birth parents, and I am grateful to have a 2nd family in my life - especially to have siblings. I understand that none of this modifies the truth of the past, Nor does it justify my mom's actions in any way. However, at the end of the day, I Love my mother and I wholeheartedly support her! I ask for the court's grace and mercy, as I need my mother home.

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