



Midtown Mental Health Center

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November 15, 1985

Judge Joseph B. McCartie  
Division VIII, Criminal Court  
Memphis, TN 38103

Re: Gaile K. Owens  
Docket #8501174

Dear Judge McCartie:

On October 22, 1985, we began the evaluation of Ms. Marcia G. Owens pursuant to your order. At that time, Ms. Owens understood the nature of the legal process; she understood the charges and the possible consequences of the charges; and she seemed capable of assisting counsel and participating in the defense. Thus, I recommend that the court consider Ms. Owens competent to proceed with the disposition of the charges.

Ms. Owens was reluctant to discuss her situation at the time of the alleged offense with us on October 22, 1985 because she wanted to confer with defense counsel. We tried on three separate occasions to complete the insanity portion of the evaluation but Ms. Owens informed us that she had not had the opportunity to consult with counsel. Therefore, we have no evidence to support a defense of insanity.

If we can be of additional assistance in this case, please feel free to contact us at 577-0200.

Sincerely,

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cc: Atty. James O. Marty  
Atty. Don Strother