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Re: Case No. 13-6358, Stephen West v. Wayne Carpenter Originating Case No.: 3:01-cv-00091

Dear Counsel,

The court today announced its decision in the above-styled case.

Enclosed is a copy of the court's opinion together with the judgment which has been entered in conformity with Rule 36, Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure.

Yours very truly,

Deborah S. Hunt, Clerk

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cc: Ms. Debra Poplin

Enclosures

Mandate to issue.