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S.C. SUPREME COURT

The Honorable Patricia A. Howard
Clerk, South Carolina Supreme Court
Post Office Box 11330
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Re: Artrell Hickson v. The State
Appellate Case No. 2021-001262

Dear Ms. Howard:

On April 29, 2022, I requested the transcript of the reconstruction hearing held in this case on April 28, 2022 before the Honorable Edgar W. Dickson from the court reporter. I am writing to notify the Court that my office received this transcript late yesterday, July 12, 2022. In light of Judge Dickson's finding that the record of Mr. Hickson's post-conviction relief (PCR) hearing cannot be reconstructed, I plan to file a motion with the Court in the next few days respectfully requesting the Court vacate the order of dismissal filed during Mr. Hickson's first PCR action and remand for a new PCR hearing.

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

s/ Lara M. Caudy
Appellate Defender

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cc: Megan Harrigan Jameson, Esquire