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The Honorable Patricia A. Howard  
Clerk – South Carolina Supreme Court  
Post Office Box 11330  
Columbia, South Carolina 29211  
By email only to supctfilings@sccourts.org

**Re: *Ronnie C. Swofford v. State of South Carolina*  
Appellate Case No. 2021-001436**

Dear Ms. Howard:

Enclosed with this letter is the State's motion to amend the return to the petition for writ of certiorari pursuant to *Austin v. State*, 305 S.C. 453, 409 S.E.2d 395 (1991), as well as the amended return. I am submitting them electronically for filing. Please let me know if I can provide any other information. Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

s/Taylor Zane Smith  
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Assistant Attorney General  
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cc: Joanna K. Delany, Esquire (by email only)