

# The Supreme Court of South Carolina

The State, Respondent,

v.

Jerome Jenkins, Jr., Appellant.

Appellate Case No. 2019-001280

---

## ORDER

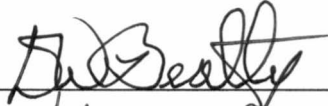


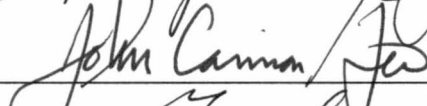

---

Appellant was convicted of murder, attempted murder, and armed robbery and was sentenced to death. This Court affirmed Appellant's convictions and sentences, and the United States Supreme Court denied his petition for a writ of certiorari. *State v. Jenkins*, 436 S.C. 362, 872 S.E.2d 620 (2022), *cert. denied*, No. 22-5513, 2022 WL 16726128, at \*1 (U.S.S.C. Nov. 7, 2022). Appellant now seeks a stay of execution pursuant to *In re Stays of Execution in Capital Cases*, 321 S.C. 544, 471 S.E.2d 140 (1996), so that he can pursue post-conviction relief (PCR). The State does not oppose the motion.

The request for a stay of execution is granted. The stay shall remain in effect to the extent provided by this Court in *In re Stays of Execution in Capital Cases*.

The Honorable R. Kirk Griffin is hereby assigned to the PCR action filed by Appellant. Judge Griffin shall retain jurisdiction over this case regardless of where he may be assigned to hold court and may schedule such hearings as may be necessary at any time without regard to whether there is a term of court scheduled. Judge Griffin shall conduct a hearing on Appellant's desires regarding counsel within thirty days of the date of this order. Within sixty days of the date of this order, Judge Griffin shall issue a scheduling order setting forth the schedule that shall be followed in this matter, including the date of the hearing on the merits. The scheduling order may be amended as necessary. A copy of the scheduling order and any amended scheduling order shall be provided to counsel, this Court, and Court Administration. In addition to Appellant's obligation to notify the Clerk of this Court of the status of this matter every sixty days under *In re Stays of*

*Execution in Capital Cases*, Judge Griffin is requested to provide the Clerk of this Court and Court Administration with an update on the status of this matter every one hundred and twenty days.

	C.J.
	J.
	J.
	J.
	J.

Columbia, South Carolina  
December 14, 2022

cc:  
Robert Michael Dudek, Esquire  
Alan McCrory Wilson, Esquire  
Melody Jane Brown, Esquire  
Kathrine Haggard Hudgins, Esquire  
Adam Sinclair Ruffin, Esquire  
W. Edgar Salter, III, Esquire  
The Honorable R. Kirk Griffin