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The Honorable Patricia A. Howard
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Supreme Court of South Carolina
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In re: The State, Respondent v. John Richard Wood, Appellant;
Appellate Case No. 2002-022661 PCR Capital Case
John Richard Wood, Applicant v. The State, Respondent;
PCR Case No. 2022-CP-23-06219

Dear Madam Clerk:

By Order of The South Carolina Supreme Court dated November 17, 2022, I have been assigned to the Capital PCR action of the above Appellant/Applicant. In compliance with the Order I am filing my third update to inform The Court that a Status Conference was held today on February 24th, 2023, at 12:15 p.m. to discuss with Counsel the scheduling of outstanding motions, and the commencement of discovery. The hearing was conducted via WebEx with Counsel only. The Court Reporter was Amber Payne. Present representing Applicant were Lindsey S. Vann, Esq., Emily C. Paavola, Esq., and Allison Ann Franz, Esq. of the office Justice 360. Also present was Melody J. Brown, Esq., on behalf the SC Attorney General's Office.

The Motions to be scheduled and heard in the future are Applicant's *Ex Parte* Funding Requests and Respondent's Motion for Order Regarding Competency Evaluation. Counsel and the Court agreed after looking at their respective schedules that there will be an attempt to calendar these motions to be heard during the week of April 3rd, 2023.

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Should you have any concerns or questions please contact my office.

Sincerely,



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