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S.C. SUPREME COURT

Honorable Patricia A. Howard
Clerk, South Carolina Supreme Court
Post Office Box 11330
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Re: Jacoby Fields v. State of South Carolina, Appellate Case No. 2020-001229

Dear Ms. Howard:

This letter serves to update the Court as to the status of Mr. Fields' PCR reconstruction hearing. I have been in contact with the Honorable Deadra Jefferson's chambers, and the matter has been scheduled for a hearing on August 8, 2023, at 10:30 am. However, after speaking with opposing counsel William Blicht, I was informed he is leaving the Attorney General's office prior to the date of our hearing. It is my understanding that Mr. Blicht is notifying Judge Jefferson of his imminent departure, and requesting that the hearing date be converted to a chambers conference (about which we are both in agreement should help the case) with myself, new opposing counsel, and Judge Jefferson. I will continue to keep the Court informed as the matter progresses.

Sincerely,

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