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

Re: Alonzo Tarell Jones v. State of South Carolina, Appellate Case No. 2022-000158

Dear Ms. Howard:

I am in receipt of this Court's Order granting Petitioner's motion to remand dated August 23, 2022. Pursuant to that Order, I have contacted opposing counsel and Judge Newman in order to make them aware of the situation.

On January 24, 2024, I contacted potential witnesses for the reconstruction hearing including James Mitchell, the former Attorney General representing the State at Petitioner's 2015 post-conviction relief hearing, and Ronald Moak, Petitioner's counsel at the same. On January 31, 2024, I conducted a phone conference with opposing counsel and James Mitchell regarding the case. On February 23, 2024, I emailed Judge Newman regarding the above conversations and requested a status conversation.

In accordance with this Court's Order, I will continue to provide updates every thirty days. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Sarah E. Shipe
Appellate Defender

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Cc: D. Russell Barlow, II, Esquire
Alonzo T. Jones