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The Honorable Patricia A. Howard
Clerk, Supreme Court of South Carolina
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Columbia, SC 29211

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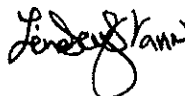
Re: *Stephen C. Stanko v. State of South Carolina*
No. 2017-000211 (Georgetown)

Dear Ms. Howard:

I am writing to inform the Court that the federal district court granted a stay of execution for Stephen Stanko to pursue federal habeas review of his Georgetown County convictions and death sentence. The court also appointed Emily Paavola and I to represent him in his federal habeas proceedings. The order issued by the district court granting a stay of execution and appointing counsel is attached.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely yours,



Lindsey S. Vann

cc: Melody Brown, Esq. (via email)
Anthony Mabry, Esq. (via email)