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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: Trenton M. Barnes v. The State
Appellate Case No. 2023-001267

Dear Ms. Howard:

The lower court has signed the order denying relief and it is being filed with the Clerk of Court's office. Once filed, counsel for petitioner intends to file a Rule 59(e), SCRCPP, motion requesting reconsideration. That motion should be filed this week as we expect to receive a filed copy of the order shortly. As soon as the Rule 59(e) motion is ruled upon, the matter will be finalized by the lower court.

By copy of this letter, I am serving all counsel of record with this update.

Sincerely,

Gary H. Johnson
Appellate Defender

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cc: D. Russell Barlow, Esquire
Trenton Barnes