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Re: **The State v. William Jamell Thomas**

Dear Ms. Kitchings,

Please be advised that I have been retained to represent Mr. Thomas for his direct appeal. I have been in contact with the court reporter, Ms. Krystal J. Smith, and she informs me that the transcript should be available on or about November 19, 2013. When I receive the transcript, I will promptly let the Court know for purposes of calculating a due date for the initial brief, which I tentatively expect will be due January 20, 2013.

By copy of this letter, I am informing the Attorney General's Office and Mr. James Snell of same.

Please let me know if there are any concerns or questions.

Sincerely,



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Counsel for William Jamell Thomas

Cc: Attorney General's Office
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