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Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse
Clerk, South Carolina Supreme Court
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S.C. Supreme Court

Re: Darrell Brown v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No. 2013-000266

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

This letter is in response to the Court's inquiry dated December 4, 2013. I have confirmed with both the Department of Probation, Parole, and Pardon Services and my client that he has been released from parole.

As to the Court's question regarding mootness, the Court should decide this case because it presents a controversy that affects Mr. Brown's legal rights. In his petition, Mr. Brown alleges that his sentence was illegally extended. If the Court decides in his favor, Mr. Brown may be entitled to compensation in another action for the time he illegally served. As this case affects these ongoing rights and Mr. Brown needs that determination, I would respectfully ask the Court not to dismiss this case on mootness grounds.

If the Court desires any further information or if I can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

David Alexander
Appellate Defender

c. Client
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