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

**Re: Marlon Rivera v. State  
Appellate Case No. 2013-002652**

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

I am in receipt of a Motion for Appointment of Outside Counsel dated April 15, 2014. Please accept this letter in lieu of a formal Return. Respondent takes no position on whether or not the Court should grant the Motion, but rather submits that this is a matter for the sound discretion of this Court.

If there are any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at any time.

Sincerely,

Karen C. Ratigan  
Senior Assistant Deputy Attorney General

cc: Lara M. Caudy, Esquire