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**RECEIVED**  
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S.C. SUPREME COURT

The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse  
Clerk, Supreme Court of South Carolina  
P.O. Box 11330  
Columbia, SC 29211

Re: John Kennedy Hughey v. State  
Appellate Case Number: 2010-170387

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

Thank you for your letter dated September 22, 2014 informing the parties that the Court might reach this case for oral argument on December 9, 10, or 11, 2014. I respectfully request the Court schedule the oral argument in this case in January 2015.

Enclosed please find the Honorable Thomas A. Russo's order dated August 18, 2014 in *State v. Julio Sergio Cordero*, scheduling a date certain jury trial for the week of December 8, 2014 in Saluda County General Sessions Court. As noted in the order, this case was called to trial August 4-5, 2014 but ended in a mistrial, which occurred during the State's second witness. Based on the pace of the prior trial, I anticipate this case will take three to four days to try. I understand the Eleventh Circuit Solicitor's Office wants this case tried before the end of 2014, as one of the complaining witnesses will become unavailable in early 2015 because of enlisting in the Navy.

Also, I understand the Court might be considering Mr. Hughey's case at the same time as *Jonathon Kyle Binney v. State* and *Kamell Delshawn Evans v. State*. I have conferred with the lawyers representing Mr. Binney and Mr. Evans, and they do not have any conflicts with January 13, 14, or 15, 2015.

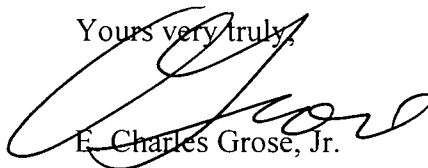
By copy of this letter to all counsel on these three cases, I am notifying all parties of this request.

Pursuant to Rule 601, SCACR, I am also notifying Judge Russo as Chief Administrative Judge, Judge Benjamin as Presiding Judge, and Suzanne Mayes as opposing counsel in Mr. Cordero's case.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. Charles Grose, Jr.", written over the typed name below it.

E. Charles Grose, Jr.

cc: The Honorable Thomas A. Russo  
The Honorable DeAndrea Benjamin  
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County of Saluda

The State

vs.

Julio Sergio Cordero

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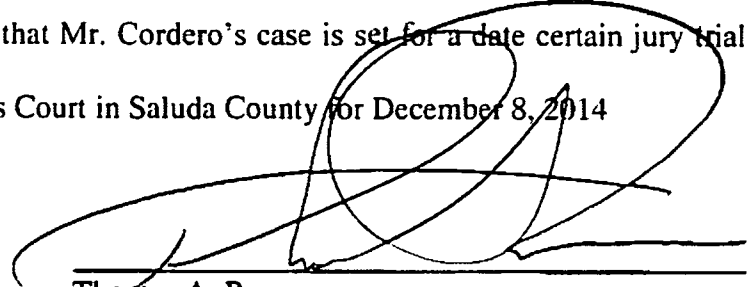
CLERK OF COURT  
SALUDA COUNTY, S.C.  
Case Number(s): 2013-GS-41-368, 369

Scheduling Order

Pursuant to the Honorable William P. Keesley's scheduling order this case came to trial on August 5-6, 2014. The Court declared a mistrial. The Court finds that this case should be set for a date certain during the Term of General Sessions Court for December 8, 2014.

Therefore, it is ordered that Mr. Cordero's case is set for a date certain jury trial for the term of General Sessions Court in Saluda County for December 8, 2014

IT IS SO ORDERED.



Thomas A. Russo  
Chief Administrative Judge, General Sessions Court  
Eleventh Judicial Circuit

8 / 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014  
Lexington, South Carolina