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S.C. Supreme Court

Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse
Clerk, South Carolina Supreme Court
Post Office Box 11330
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Re: The State v. Oran Smith – Appellate case No. 2014-000120

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

This letter is to inform the Court that our client, Mr. Oran Smith, passed away a few weeks ago during his incarceration. This Court had granted Mr. Smith's petition for a writ of certiorari on August 21, 2014 to review the decision of the Court of Appeals affirming his conviction. Both the Brief of Petitioner and Brief of Respondent have been filed.

We requested and are waiting for a copy of the death certificate. We will forward it to this Court, as soon as we receive it, with a motion.

Sincerely,

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Appellate Defender

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