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September 16, 2014 **S.C. SUPREME COURT**

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

Re: *Stephen C. Stanko, SK6022 v. State of South Carolina*, 2014-CP-26-035

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

Pursuant to *In re Stays of Execution in Capital Cases*, 321 S.C. 544, 471 S.E.2d 140 (1996), I am writing to report on the status of the above-referenced capital post-conviction relief case. I was appointed on February 4, 2014. I am currently working to prepare for an evidentiary hearing. The hearing date has been scheduled for on or before February 28, 2015

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely yours,

Emily C. Paavola