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August 7, 2012

The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse
Clerk of South Carolina Supreme Court
P.O. Box 11330
Columbia, S.C. 29211-1330

Re: *Stephen Andrew Beckham v. State*, 2000-CP-36-51

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

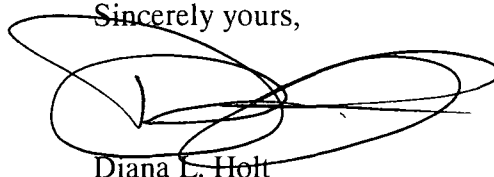
I write to apprise the Court that in the shuffle of legal representation for Mr. Beckham, I unwittingly failed to realize until last evening that Mr. Grose and I had actually received the last outstanding hearing transcript in this matter on July 14, 2012. We respectfully ask the Court to start our time clock for filing on August 6, 2012. I alerted Ms. Salley Elliott, counsel for the state, about the oversight and ask if the state would consent to starting the clock for filing the petition for *writ of certiorari* on August 6, 2012, in the event this Court approves this request. Ms. Elliott graciously stated that "you may tell the court you spoke with me and I agree or I can send a letter so stating when I get a copy of your request." My apologies to all.

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Sincerely yours,



Diana L. Holt

CC: Salley Elliott, Esq.
Charles Grose, Esq.
Robert Dudek, Esq.

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