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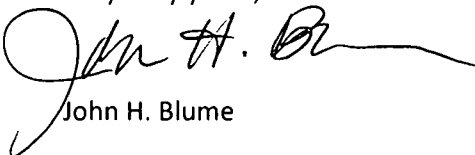
Re: *Bobby Wayne Stone v. State of South Carolina*  
Appellate Case No. 2013-001968

Dear Mr. Shearhouse:

I am in receipt of your letter regarding the scheduling of Mr. Stone's oral argument. I am writing to request that the oral argument be scheduled for March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> or 24<sup>th</sup> of 2016. I am not available the earlier March dates, but I am available to participate in the oral argument on either March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> or 24<sup>th</sup> as that is during our spring break. Furthermore, as I am representing Mr. Stone *pro bono*, and planned to be in South Carolina during that time frame on other business, it would also avoid extra travel expenditures if the case could be scheduled on one of those dates.

I thank The Court in advance for the consideration of this request.

Very truly yours,

  
John H. Blume

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