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**RE: First Citizens Bank and Trust Co., Inc. Respondent
Cornelius J. Beck, Jr. Appellant
Appellate Case No. 2016-000329**

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

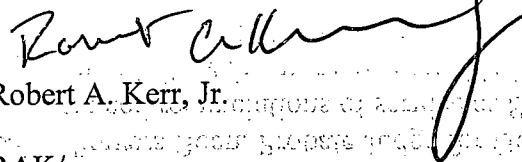
I am providing you and the Court with a status report on this matter. As the Court knows, Dr. Beck passed away on October 21, 2017. In response to our Motion to Dismiss the appeal as moot, the court denied the Motion and remanded the case to the trial court to arrange for a substitution of parties.

As reported in our previous update, we contemplated filing a petition to appoint a Special Administrator with the Probate Court in Georgetown County, the county of Dr. Beck's death. After numerous unsuccessful inquiries, we identified an attorney, Charles P. Summerall, IV of Charleston, who has agreed to serve in this capacity. Mr. Summerall and I spoke with The Hon. Leigh Powers Boan, Probate Judge for Georgetown County, on March 9, 2017 and determined that we need renunciations of service as Special Administrator from Dr. Beck's wife and children to follow the more expedited informal proceedings process in the Probate Court. We are in the process of obtaining these renunciations. Once obtained, we will apply for the Special Administrator, and then file the motion to substitute the Special Administrator into the pending matter.

Please contact me if you need additional information. We will update the status of this matter within thirty (30) days.

Yours very truly,

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cc: Hon. Ralph Stroman

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