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

Re: State v. Lamar S. Brown
Appellate Case No.: 2015-002360

Dear Mr. Shearouse,

The Court has requested the full citation to a case I referenced during oral argument. In making the statement, I inadvertently mixed up the facts of one case and the name of another case. The case name I mentioned was Ramos, which was a reference to United States v. Ramos, 12 F.3d 1019 (11th Cir. 1994). The case does not involve a cell phone, and was not the case I was intending to cite for the Court, but instead involves a briefcase left in a hotel room. The State submits the holding of the case is still relevant to the issues before the Court. The cases I intended to cite for the Court included United States v. Sparks, 806 F.3d 1323 (11th Cir. 2015), which is more directly analogous to the instant case, and People v. Schutter, 249 P.3d 1123 (Colo. 2011), the case whose facts I explained to the Court to demonstrate actions which do not result in a court finding abandonment. I sincerely apologize for any inconvenience and delay this has caused and appreciate the opportunity from the Court to correct my misstatements.

Sincerely,

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