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Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse
Clerk of Court
South Carolina Supreme Court
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S.C. Supreme Court

Re: Frederick J. Harris v. State
2010-CP-23-6750

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

I am in receipt of the Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above-captioned post-conviction relief (PCR) case. Please accept this letter in lieu of a formal return. When this matter was called to trial, Respondent consented to the belated appeal. Respondent noted that, after speaking with the first PCR attorney in this case, a belated appeal from the denial of the first PCR case was warranted. (App.p.390). Accordingly, the Respondent consents to the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and has filed a separate response to Johnson Petition for Writ of Certiorari Pursuant to Austin v. State.

If a formal brief is required, Respondent requests an opportunity to brief any issue requested by the Court. If there are any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Assistant Deputy Attorney General

cc: Robert M. Pachak, Esquire