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

**Re: Eugene A. Gardner, III v. State of South Carolina**  
**Appellate Case No. 2017-000881**  
**Lower Court Case 2014-CP-16-0672**

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

Attached are the original and fifteen (15) copies of the **Brief of Petitioner** in the above referenced case for filing in your office. Also, per Rule 243(j) included are thirteen (13) additional copies of the Appendix.

Sincerely,

Johnny E. James Jr.  
Assistant Attorney General  
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cc: Laura R. Baer, Esquire  
Trisha Allen, Director - Victim Advocacy Division (without enclosure)