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The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse
Clerk, Supreme Court of South Carolina
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S.C. SUPREME COURT

Re: *Rickey Lee Blackwell v. State of South Carolina*
Case Number 2018-CP-42-00928
60 Day Status Report

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

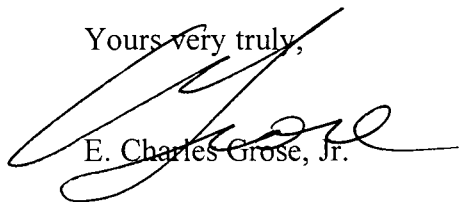
This letter is the sixty-day status report pursuant to *In re Stays of Execution in Capital Cases*, 321 S.C. 544, 471 S.E.2d 140 (1996).

Judge Hall convened a status conference on February 20, 2019 and plans the next status conference for July 2019. Mr. Blackwell's pre-hearing investigation is ongoing.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please let me know if you have any questions or require additional information.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours very truly,



E. Charles Grose, Jr.

cc: The Honorable Daniel D. Hall
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