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The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse  
Clerk, South Carolina Supreme Court  
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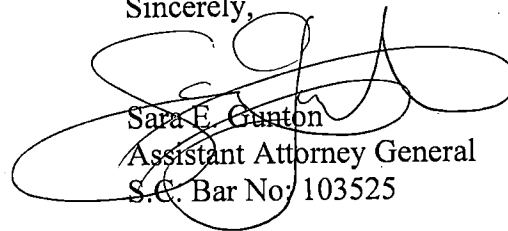
RE: Marion Bonds v. State  
Appellate Case No: 2019-000447

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

Respondent is in receipt of Petitioner's Petition for Writ of Certiorari, and *Johnson* Petition for Writ of Certiorari Pursuant to *Austin v. State*, filed November 26, 2019.

As acknowledged by Petitioner in his Petition for Writ of Certiorari, Respondent consents to *Austin* review and does not wish to submit a formal Return. Respondent requests that this Court accept this letter in lieu of a formal response.

Sincerely,



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