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The Honorable Jenny A. Kitchings
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals
Post Office Box 11629
Columbia, SC 29211

RE: State v. Ontavious Derenta Plumer – Appellate Case No. 2017-000481

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

The above-referenced criminal appeal is set for oral argument on February 11, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. in Courtroom I during this Court's upcoming term of court. Pursuant to Rule 208(b)(7), SCACR, the State seeks to provide the Court with the following supplemental citation prior to oral argument based on the belief the citation may be relevant and helpful to the Court in addressing the self-defense jury instruction issue raised in the appeal: See State v. Williams, 427 S.C. 246, 830 S.E.2d 904 (2019) (holding the trial judge properly declined to instruct the jury on the law of self-defense because Williams's act of consciously bringing a loaded unlawfully-possessed pistol to an illegal drug deal constituted a violation of law reasonably calculated to produce violence and, thus, Williams could not have been acting in self-defense as a matter of law since he was at fault in bringing on the violence).

Sincerely,

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