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**SC Court of Appeals**

Re: The State v. Stewart Jerome Middleton  
Appellate Case No. 2017-002478

Dear Mr. Blich:

As we discussed on the telephone August 7, 2020, based on the Court's letter of that same date, I have enclosed a copy of what our office has on file as State's Exhibit #6 (DVD of Interview with Appellant) in the above-referenced case. We have tested this copy of State's Exhibit #6 to confirm that the interview is playable using the correct software, which is included on the DVD itself.

Our office has confirmed that if you open the files included on this disc, click "RunReviewer," allow the "VideoSphere" software to fully load, and give the video itself time to fully load, it will play the interview with appellant as expected. If the interview with appellant does not immediately appear upon opening the VideoSphere software, you can select "case folders" in the upper lefthand corner of the software window, in order to locate the "case\_1" folder, which contains the "10.1.10.106\_video..." file found on the disc. Both this folder and the video file are located within the "EvidenceFiles" folder. Once you have selected that "case\_1" folder, the interview video should begin to play in the VideoSphere software window. Again, the video will need proper time to load, as it is a large file.

Could you please check with the solicitor on this case to confirm that this copy of State's Exhibit #6 (DVD of Interview with Appellant) matches what was shown to the jury at trial, so that, with your consent, this version of State's Exhibit #6 can be substituted for the copy the Court currently has on file? Please call me if any questions or concerns arise.

Sincerely,

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cc: V. Claire Allen, Chief Deputy Clerk