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October 2, 2020

**HAND-DELIVERY**

The Honorable Jenny A. Kitchings  
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals  
1015 Sumter Street  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Re: The State v. Bruce S. Jones  
Appellate Case No. 2018-000224

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Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Please accept this letter in lieu of a formal return in response to your letter dated September 30, 2020 seeking a return from the State to Respondent's counsel's motion to dismiss as moot. The undersigned agrees Mr. Jones was released from custody in December 2019 as a result of completing his then imposed sentence. Under the very recent holding of this Court in State v. Simpson, 429 S.C. 83, 837 S.E.2d 669 (Ct. App. 2020), the issue should be considered moot and the case may be dismissed. As noted in the motion, the State does not oppose the relief sought by opposing counsel.

Do not hesitate to contact me if you need any additional information from this office.

Sincerely,

William M. Blich, Jr.  
Senior Assistant Deputy Attorney General

cc: David Alexander, Esquire

**Caroline Collins**

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**From:** Caroline Collins  
**Sent:** Friday, October 2, 2020 3:25 PM  
**To:** 'David Alexander (dalexander@sccid.sc.gov)'  
**Cc:** 'Matthews, Lindsey'; William Blicht  
**Subject:** The State v. Bruce S. Jones (2018-000224)  
**Attachments:** JONES Bruce - Letter in Lieu of Formal Return to Motion to Dismiss as Moot (02394083xD2C78).PDF

Good Afternoon Mr. Alexander,

Attached please find a copy of a letter in lieu of formal return to the Motion to Dismiss as Moot in The State v. Bruce S. Jones (2018-000224). This will be submitted to the Court of Appeals today via the AIS One Drive System.

If you will, please reply to this email to confirm receipt.

Thank you!

*Caroline Collins*

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