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VIA ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION

The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals
P.O. Box 11629
Columbia, SC 29211

Re: *The State v. Devin Zachary Elijah Ruttle*
Appellate Case No.: 2019–001570

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

I hope this correspondence finds you well. I am writing today to provide the requested monthly status update in the above-referenced appeal. Since my last correspondence to the Court there has been no further development in the case since the State conceded that, subject to any factual grounds for a timeliness challenge arising at the hearing on the Motion's substantive grounds, the State is not contesting the timeliness of Mr. Ruttle's Motion for New Trial. Accordingly, the parties and the Court remain prepared to immediately move forward with the in-person evidentiary hearing that is necessary for the substantive disposition of Mr. Ruttle's Motion as soon as in-person hearings are allowed to resume.

With kindest regards, I am

Truly yours,

s/Christopher T. Brumback

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cc: Melody Brown, Esq. (via email.)