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S.C. SUPREME COURT

Re: State v. Taylor, 2020-001184

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

Please accept this letter in lieu of a formal reply to the South Carolina Attorney General's informal May 26, 2021 response to my motions. I would disagree with the SCAG's characterization that Mr. Taylor (Respondent) has "chosen not to participate in the appellate process", as he has never received notice of the proceedings, and particularly not of these proceedings.

I would not object to this Court treating my May 24, 2021, motion as a motion to file an *amicus curiae* brief and my brief as an *amicus curiae* brief, if this Court believes it appropriate.

With Highest Regards,

/s/ Jason Scott Luck

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Postscript: I see the South Carolina Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers has filed a motion for leave to file an *amicus curiae* brief. To the extent the Court requests my position on this motion, I consent to it.