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The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings  
Clerk of Court  
PO Box 11629  
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Re: State vs. Theodore Jerry Bolick  
Appellate Case No. 2020-001497

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Defendant's Motion for Consideration or Reconsideration was granted and on April 15, 2021, Judge Cothran heard Defendant's arguments on his motions that were remanded to the General Sessions Court by the Court of Appeals. Judge Cothran ruled on those motions but gave the State ten days to review the issues and ask the Court to reconsider. The State's Motion to Reconsider filed subsequent to Judge Cothran's initial decisions in April was granted by Judge Cothran and additional arguments were heard on June 8, 2021.

Following additional oral arguments from both sides, consideration of a memorandum drafted in support of the State's position on the issues, a more detailed study of the case law, and a more complete understanding of the facts and circumstances of the case against Mr. Bolick, Judge Cothran ruled on June 9, 2021, to deny the Defendant's motions for mistrial and new trial. Needing then to rule on Defendant's remaining motions that had been remanded to the Circuit Court, Judge Cothran denied Defendant's motions for appointed counsel and transcripts believing those to be more appropriate for the appellate court to consider as they were being requested for the appellate process and not for General Sessions. Following oral arguments on June 8, 2021, before Judge Cothran was ready to rule on the issues, Defendant requested a bond which was denied. Defendant's final pending motion in General Sessions on these issues was a motion to

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dismiss based on double jeopardy which Judge Cothran deemed moot in light of his other decisions.

It is the State's belief that with these motions now resolved by the Court of General Sessions, the matter can be returned to the Court of Appeals.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Thomas Groom Terrell, III', written over a horizontal line.

Thomas Groom Terrell, III  
Assistant Solicitor

Theodore Jerry Bolick  
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