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The Honorable Jenny A. Kitchings  
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals  
Post Office Box 11629  
Columbia, SC 29211


RE: State v. Antonio Orlando Simmons – Appellate Case No. 2020-000088

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

In the above-referenced criminal appeal, Appellant Antonio Orlando Simmons is appealing his convictions and sentence following a resentencing hearing that was conducted after he successfully obtained a grant of post-conviction relief. In this case, the lower court proceedings included a guilty plea hearing, a post-conviction relief hearing, and the resentencing hearing. At present, the State is in possession of transcripts from the guilty plea hearing and the resentencing hearing. However, the transcript from the post-conviction relief hearing has not yet been obtained.

Because it may contain information relevant to Appellant's appeal, the State earlier today submitted the attached request seeking expedited preparation of the transcript from the post-conviction relief hearing. In light of the pending transcript request, the State respectfully asks this Court to hold the deadlines for the filing of the Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter in abeyance until the additional transcript has been prepared and obtained. Thank you very much, and please let me know if you have any questions or if any further actions are needed at this time.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure

cc: Victor R. Seeger, Esquire (via email)  
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Requestor's Information			
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Transcript Information			
<b>Docket Number</b> <u>2018-CP-10-04505</u>		<b>Case Caption</b> (i.e. State v. John Doe or Smith v. Smith) <u>Antonio Simmons v. State of South Carolina</u>	
<b>Date(s) of Proceeding</b> <u>July 23, 2019</u>		<b>Circuit</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Family</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>County</b> <u>Charleston</u>
<b>Presiding Judge</b> <u>Michael G. Nettles</u>		<b>Expedited</b> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Court Reporter(s)</b> <u>Joyce C. Rueger</u>		<b>Opposing Counsel</b> <u>Christopher Murphy</u>	

**Requestor's Signature:** Caroline Collins**Date:** 6/17/2021*(Typed name will serve as signature)*

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Mr. Seeger,

Attached is a letter being submitted to the Court of Appeals today in the [State v. Antonio Orlando Simmons](#) appeal. Hope all is well, and please let me know if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Sincerely,  
Mark



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