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September 7, 2021

The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
Clerk, S.C. Court of Appeals
PO Box 11629
Columbia, SC 29211

Re: The State v. Tremaine Pierre Johnson – Appellate Case No. 2021-000701

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Our office has been notified by former trial counsel N. Douglas Brannon that Tremaine Johnson has retained private counsel to handle his appeal. Mr. Brannon's paralegal further informed me that Mr. Johnson's family has indicated that he will not be returning the affidavit of indigency that was provided to him on July 9, 2021 since they have retained private counsel to handle his appeal. I understand that the name of retained counsel has not been disclosed.

Consequently, given the facts above, we are unable to screen Mr. Johnson to determine his indigency status. Consequently, we will be closing our file in this case. If you need additional information, or have any questions or concerns, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "RMD", is written over a large, light blue circular scribble.

Robert M. Dudek
Chief Appellate Defender

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cc: N. Douglas Brannon, Esquire
Tremaine Johnson, # 385509