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The Honorable Patricia A. Howard
Clerk, Supreme Court of South Carolina
P.O. Box 11330
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Re: *Luzenski Allen Cottrell v. State of South Carolina*
Case No. Case No. 2018-CP-26-05709
60 Day Status Report

Dear Ms. Howard:

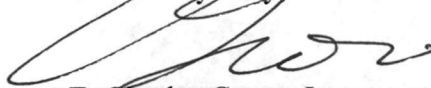
This letter is the sixty-day status report pursuant to *In re Stays of Execution in Capital Cases*, 321 S.C. 544, 471 S.E.2d 140 (1996).

On May 27, 2021, Judge John issued the Fourth Amended Scheduling Order. Mr. Cottrell's pre-hearing investigation is ongoing. Although the COVID-19 pandemic limited his in-field investigation, Mr. Cottrell has resumed in-field investigation activities. While we continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation from the perspective of safety to our team, experts, and the witnesses, our investigation is revealing evidence which was not previously presented. On November 9, 2021, Mr. Cottrell moved to revise the scheduling order to provide time to complete our investigation and follow the recommendations of a mitigation expert who is in the process of evaluating Mr. Cottrell.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please let me know if you have any questions or require additional information.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours very truly,



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cc: The Honorable Steven H. John
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