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**RE: State v. Jerome Smith**  
**Appellate Case No.: 2021-000788**

Dear Mr. Stitely and Mr. Yonge:

This letter is to confirm that our office received Appellant's Initial Brief and Designation of Matter in the above-referenced case and to advise you that I will be representing the State in this appeal. Please forward all future correspondence regarding this matter directly to me.

I look forward to working with you on this case.

Sincerely,

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cc: The Honorable Jenny A. Kitchings (*via ctappfilings@sccourts.org*)  
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