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The Honorable Patricia A. Howard
Clerk, South Carolina Supreme Court
Post Office Box 11330
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

RE: The State v. Timothy Ray Jones
Appellate Case No: 2019-001008

Dear Ms. Howard:

Please find attached a copy of the opinion in *United States v. Tsarnaev*, No. 20-443, 595 U.S. ___ (2022) issued today by the Supreme Court of the United States. Pursuant to Rule 208(b)(7), SCACR, I am advising the Court that the *Tsarnaev* opinion contains pertinent and significant authority regarding the mitigation rulings challenged in Issues 5, 6 and 7 in the above reference appeal, and also the question on Supreme Court authority regarding limitations on mitigation evidence as asked in the oral argument of November 9, 2021.

This letter with a scanned copy of the opinion will be electronically filed today. Additionally, ten (10) paper copies of the opinion will be provided to the Court.

If the Court should require anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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