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

Re: Jerry Buck Inman, a/k/a Jerry Buck Inmon v. State of South Carolina  
Appellate Case No: 2020-000881  
State's Petition for Writ of Certiorari  
\*Capital PCR Action\*

Dear Ms. Howard:

Please find attached a copy of the opinion in *The State v. Jerome Jenkins, Jr.*, Opinion No. 28089, issued on April 6, 2022 by this Court. Pursuant to Rule 208(b)(7), SCACR, I am advising the Court that the *Jenkins* opinion contains pertinent and significant authority for the arguments presented in the referenced petition regarding "the constitutionality of the subsection [S.C. Code §] 16-3-20(B) requirement that a capital defendant who pleads guilty to murder must be sentenced by the trial court." (Opinion, II. A.).

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,

*s/Melody J. Brown*

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