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S.C. Supreme Court

The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse
Clerk
South Carolina Supreme Court
P.O. Box 11330
Columbia, S.C. 29211

Re: *Kenneth Simmons v. State of South Carolina*, 05-CP-18-1368

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

Pursuant to *In re Stays of Execution in Capital Cases*, 321 S.C. 544, 471 S.E.2d 140 (1996), I am writing to report on the status of the above-referenced capital post-conviction relief case. Final testimony in this case was offered on July 2, 2012. The PCR Court requested post-hearing briefs. The parties completed briefing on October 11, 2012.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely yours,

Emily C. Paavola