



February 7, 2022

The Honorable John Vollino
Clerk of the Court
Court of Appeals of Virginia
100 North Ninth Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Re: Terence Jerome Richardson v. Commonwealth, Record No. 0361-21-2

Dear Mr. Vollino:

Petitioner respectfully requests the Court of Appeals to disregard the Commonwealth of Virginia's ("Commonwealth's") letter dated February 4, 2022 ("February 4 Letter") and deny the Commonwealth leave to file a supplemental response. The Commonwealth has already filed its Answer joining Mr. Richardson's Petition for Writ of Actual Innocence and any subsequent motion practice will result in delay in justice for Mr. Richardson, who first had his original February 8, 2022, hearing delayed as a result of the Commonwealth's insincere and duplicitous request for a sixty (60) day continuance.

In its February 4 Letter, the current Office of the Attorney General ("Attorney General") clearly shows that since the change in administration on January 15, 2022, the Commonwealth did in fact have enough time to review its file to reverse its position and made dishonest request for a sixty (60) day extension knowing full well that they intended to reverse. Mr. Richardson deserves better than self-serving political acts that further delay justice and the truth of what happened to Officer Gibson.

The Commonwealth's request to file a supplemental response should be denied. If indeed the Court grants the Commonwealth leave to file a supplemental response, the Court should order the appearance of Mark Herring, the previous Attorney General, or his representatives to argue the position set forth in the Commonwealth's previously filed Answers.

Respectfully,

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