No. 17-6882

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES October Term, 2017

RICKY LEE BLACKWELL,

Petitioner,

v.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

Respondent.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned attorney, Melody J. Brown, a member of this Court, hereby certifies that a true copy of the Brief in Opposition to the Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above captioned case has been served upon counsel for Petitioner by depositing one copy of same in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

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