

In the Supreme Court of the United States

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

Petitioner,

vs.

RAYMOND LEWIS YOUNG,

Respondent.

**WAIVER OF 14-DAY WAITING PERIOD
IN WHICH TO FILE A REPLY BRIEF**

To the Honorable John G. Roberts, Jr., Chief Justice of the United States and Circuit Justice for the Fourth Circuit:

Pursuant to Rule 15.5 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of the United States, which governs the timing for placing petitions on a Conference list and distributing them to the Justices of this Court, the State of South Carolina, as petitioner, through its undersigned counsel, respectfully and expressly waives the 14-day waiting period for filing a reply brief to respondent's brief in opposition. In support of that waiver, the State would respectfully show unto the Court as follows:

In January of 2013, the respondent, Raymond Lewis Young, was convicted by a jury of seven counts of attempted murder, one count of second-degree assault and battery by a mob, and one count of conspiracy. Young appealed, and on November 15, 2017, the South Carolina Court of Appeals reversed his convictions and

remanded for a new trial. Thereafter, the State timely petitioned the South Carolina Court of Appeals for rehearing, but the State's petition was denied on January 18, 2018. The State served and filed a timely petition for a writ of certiorari in the South Carolina Supreme Court seeking discretionary review of the decision of the South Carolina Court of Appeals; however, on April 19, 2018, that petition was denied.

On September 14, 2018, the State's petition for a writ of certiorari in this case was filed with this Court. On the same date, the State filed an Appendix including a copy of the South Carolina Court of Appeals' opinion, a copy of the South Carolina Court of Appeals' denial of rehearing, and a copy of the order of the South Carolina Supreme Court denying the State's petition for a writ of certiorari were timely filed with this Court. On October 18, 2018, respondent filed a Brief in Opposition. The State has not identified any new points raised in the brief in opposition requiring a reply and therefore advises the Court it will not be filing a reply brief pursuant to Rule 15.6 of the Rules of this Court.

WHEREFORE, the State prays this Court will accept this express waiver of the 14-day waiting period and will proceed to place the underlying petition for writ of certiorari on a conference list and distribute it to the Justices of this Court, and grant such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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