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The Honorable Scott S. Harris, Clerk  
United States Supreme Court  
One First Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: Thomas Arnold v. Julie L. Jones, Secretary, Florida  
Department of Corrections  
Case No. 18-5708

Dear Mr. Harris:

The State of Florida recently received a copy of the petitioner's petition for writ of certiorari. Please be advised that the State of Florida will continue to follow its long held position on these matters and will respectfully decline to answer petitions filed in non-capital cases unless the Court requests a response. If the Court requests a response, the State of Florida will provide one.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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