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August 22, 2023

Mr. Scott S. Harris Clerk, Supreme Court of the United States 1 First Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20543-0002

## Re: John Gilcrease v. State of Louisiana

Dear Mr. Harris:

I have enclosed for filing an original and ten copies of the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Petitioner's Motion for Leave to Proceed *In Forma Pauperis*, with accompanying declaration of counsel in the above-referenced cause.

As indicated in the enclosed Certificate of Service, I have served a copy of this petition on the sole opposing counsel, Rebecca A. Edwards, Assistant District Attorney for the Caddo Parish Office of District Attorney, 501 Texas Street, Fifth Floor, Shreveport LA 71101, redwards@caddoda.com

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Sherry Watters Counsel of Record for Petitioner

Enclosure

cc: La. Supreme Court
La. 2nd Circuit Court of Appeal
La. 1st Judicial District Court
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## In the Supreme Court of the United States

JOHN GILCREASE, Petitioner

vs.

THE STATE OF LOUISIANA, Respondent

On Petition for Writ of Certiorari to The Louisiana Supreme Court and Louisiana Court of Appeal, Second Circuit

## **PROOF OF SERVICE**

The undersigned attorney, a member of the Bar of this Court, certifies that pursuant to Rule 29.3, Supreme Court Rules, she served the Motion for Leave to Proceed *In Forma Pauperis* and Petition for Writ of Certiorari on counsel for Respondent, by depositing an envelope containing the above documents in the U.S. Post Office at New Orleans, Louisiana on August 22, 2023, properly addressed with first-class postage prepaid, and on the same date sent an electronic copy to Opposing Counsel's email, addressed to counsel of record as follows:

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and further certifies that all parties required to be served have been served. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

<u>Sherry Watters</u> Sherry Watters *Appointed Counsel of record for Indigent,* John Gilcrease