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V.

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

RESPONDENT

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QUESTION PRESENTED

Question One:

Did the appellant receive a proper review from the Mississippi Supreme Court after his conviction was affirmed due to documents that were a part of the record went omitted during the decision?

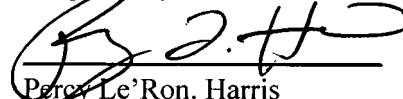
CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PERSONS

The undersigned petitioner/appellant, pro se, of record certifies that the following listed persons have an interest in the outcome of this case. These representations are made in order that the justices of this court may evaluate possible disqualifications or recusal.

1. Mississippi Supreme Court
2. Lauren Cantrell, Special Assistant Attorney General
3. Honorable Claiborne McDonald, Circuit Court Judge
4. Honorable Hal Kittrell, District Attorney
5. Honorable W. Daniel Hinchcliff, Mississippi Office of Public Defender

This this 14<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,



Percy Le'Ron. Harris

Petitioner/Appellant – Pro Se

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STATEMENT OF ASSIGNMENT

Petitioner respectfully prays that a writ of certiorari is issued to review the judgment below. Mr. Harris' appeal was affirmed on February 29, 2024 and petition for rehearing was denied on May 9, 2024. Mr. Harris invokes this court's jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1257, contending that I did not receive a proper review due the filed Pro Se Supplemental brief which contained ten (10) additional elements, were not a part of the decision but was acknowledged by the Mississippi Supreme Court.

OPINIONS BELOW

The opinion of the highest state court to review the merits is attached as Appendix A of this petition and is reported as Mississippi Supreme Court Case #2022-KA-01195-SCT

The order of the Mississippi Supreme Court denying the petition for rehearing appears at Appendix B of this petition.

JURISDICTION

This petition intends to seek review of the order dated February 29, 2024, attached as Appendix A, for which a timely petition for rehearing was denied on May 9, 2024 by the Mississippi Supreme Court, attached as Appendix B, in case No. 2022-KA-01195.

The jurisdiction of this Court is invoked under 28 U.S.C. § 1257(a)

## CONSTITUTIONAL AND STATUTORY PROVISIONS INVOLVED

### United States Constitution, Amendment XIV:

All persons born and naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside. No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor deny any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.

Mississippi Rules of Appellate Procedure 28(b)

## STATEMENT OF THE CASE

This petition proceeds from the Circuit Court of Lamar County, Mississippi, a judgment of conviction for the crime of first-degree murder (deliberate design) against Percy Le'Ron Harris following a jury trial that commenced on October 18, 2022, the honorable Claiborne McDonald, Circuit Court Judge presided, later resulting in an affirmed conviction on direct appeal by the Mississippi Supreme Court. The court did not take into consideration the Pro Se Supplemental brief filed by the appellant which was received by the court on August 16, 2023. I contend that the pro se supplemental brief and its elements should have been a part of the Miss. Supreme Court's decision and not omitted although being mentioned on pg. 5 of the decision that it was in fact filed. The appellant respectfully petitions this court for a writ of certiorari to review the judgment of the Mississippi Supreme Court to ensure a proper review.

## REASON CERTIORARI SHOULD BE GRANTED

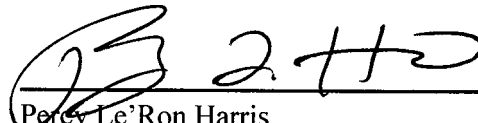
The Mississippi Supreme Court failed to properly review all documents that were a part of the appeals record during their decision and therefore did not ensure the appellant a proper review. In correspondence with my assigned attorney, I instructed him to add the ten (10) issues I deemed held merit, with supporting documents, to be added to his initial brief but he declined to do so therefore failing to ensure that a full and proper review would be conducted. Furthermore, I was prompted to file a Pro Se Supplemental Brief in order to have the ten (10) issues raised on appeal in order to protect any Post-Conviction Proceedings that may arise.

This case holds significant weight in that other petitioners in the United States may have had their conviction affirmed on appeal due to counsel failing to submit a complete brief and the deciding state court failing to conduct a proper review. All documents that are a part of the record should be taken into consideration during the decision process when the rules of the state(s) Appellate Procedure are followed and the filings are accepted. If a proper review had been conducted, the highest court would have reversed the conviction and granted the requested remedy of discharge from custody.

### CONCLUSION

Petitioner respectfully submits, premised upon the foregoing arguments, that the decision of the Mississippi Supreme Court be reversed and prays that this petition is granted based on the foregoing issues that upon review, would show that the appellant did not receive a proper review. The majority opinion was formed based on issues not included in the initial brief. Essential facts that could have caused a different outcome went omitted during the appeal decision. Facts were misinterpreted and misrepresented to the extent of influencing the Supreme Courts final decision. The cited cases show support of three (3) elements that are included in the Pro Se Supplemental Brief that was not made a part of the decision.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Percy Le'Ron Harris  
Petitioner/Appellant-Pro Se

This, the 14<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2025.