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Hon. Scott S. Harris
Clerk of the Supreme Court of the United States
1 First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20543

RE: *Richard Graham, et al., v. Jeremiah Sweeney*, No. 24A1099
Proceedings in the district court

Dear Mr. Harris:

On May 14, 2025, Applicants in the above-referenced case submitted to the Court an "Application to Stay the Mandate of the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit Pending the Filing and Disposition of Applicants' Forthcoming Petition for a Writ of Certiorari and Request for an Immediate Administrative Stay." The application requests that the Court stay the mandate of the Fourth Circuit, which granted federal habeas relief to Respondent Jeremiah Sweeney in the form of a new trial.

In their Application, Applicants noted that Respondent Sweeney recently had filed a motion in the district court below, seeking his immediate release and, in response, the district court had scheduled an on-the-record teleconference with the parties to be held this afternoon.

Applicants write to update the Court that the teleconference has occurred. The district court (the Honorable Deborah L. Boardman presiding) stated that it would refrain from taking action regarding Mr. Sweeney's custody and the retrial ordered by the Fourth Circuit until this Court has ruled on the pending application to stay.

Applicants respectfully request that the Clerk distribute copies of this letter to the Court.

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Respectfully submitted,



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