

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT

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UNITED STATES of AMERICA,

-against-

LOIS BROOKS,

Petitioner.

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DECLARATION OF ANDREW ST. LAURENT

ANDREW M. ST. LAURENT, an attorney duly admitted to practice law in the Courts of the State of New York and the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, declares as follows:

1. I represent petitioner Lois Brooks in connection with her appeals in the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit under docket numbers 16-4022, her direct appeal, and 17-2896, her attempted appeal from the denial of her 2255 petition. As such, I am fully familiar with the facts and circumstances stated herein.

2. I make this declaration in support of petitioner's request for the Circuit Justice for the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit to grant a certificate of appealability.

3. Attached hereto as Exhibit 1 is a copy of the decision of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York dated August 30, 2017. It appears as Document Number 9 under Case 1:17-cv-01549-NRB in that court.

4. Attached hereto as Exhibit 2 is copy of the notice of appeal dated September 18, 2017 from the decision of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York

dated August 30, 2017. It appears as Document Number 14 under Case 1:17-cv-01549-NRB in that court.

5. Attached hereto as Exhibit 3 is a copy of a decision of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York dated September 22, 2017. It appears as Document Number 21 under Case 1:17-cv-01549-NRB in that court.

6. Attached hereto as Exhibit 4 is a copy of a decision of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit dated October 31, 2017. It appears as Document Number 79 under Case 17-2896 in that Court.

7. Attached hereto as Exhibit 5 is a copy of the transcript of a plea proceeding in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York that took place on June 28, 2016. It appears as Document 46 under Case 1:15-cr-00243-NRB in that Court.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on January 25, 2018 in New York, New York.



Andrew M. St. Laurent