

No. _____

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

RICHARD KNIGHT,
Petitioner,

v.

SECRETARY, FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS,
Respondent.

ON PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI TO
THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

CAPITAL CASE

DEATH WARRANT SIGNED
Execution Set: May 21, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

PROOF OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true copy of the foregoing Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the Florida Supreme Court, Appendix, and Application for Stay of Execution, and Motion to Proceed *In Forma Pauperis* have been furnished to the Supreme Court of the United States via electronic service and FedEx and, pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 29, furnished by United States Mail, first class postage prepaid, to Lisa-Marie Lerner and Leslie T. Campbell, Senior Assistant Attorneys General, electronically and to the Office of the Attorney General, 1515 W. Flagler Drive, Suite 900, West Palm Beach, Florida 33401, on May 18, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/Todd Scher

TODD SCHER

Assistant CCRC-South

Florida Bar No. 0899641

TScher@msn.com

**Counsel of Record*

MICHAEL T. COOKSON

Staff Attorney

Florida Bar No. 1057838

cooksonM@ccsr.state.fl.us

Pleadings@ccsr.state.fl.us

CAPITAL COLLATERAL

REGIONAL COUNSEL-SOUTH

110 SE 6th Street, Suite 701

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

(954) 713-1284

COUNSEL FOR MR. KNIGHT

May 18, 2026