

No. 25A1281

IN THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

RICHARD KNIGHT

Petitioner,

v.

STATE OF FLORIDA,

Respondent.

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

**RESPONSE TO MOTION TO STAY THE EXECUTION
EXECUTION SCHEDULED FOR MAY 21, 2026, AT 6:00 P.M.**

PROOF OF SERVICE

I, Scott A. Brown, a member of the Bar of this Court, hereby certify that on this 20th of May 2026, a true and correct copy of the State's Response to Motion to Stay Execution in the above-entitled case was submitted to the Clerk of the United States Supreme Court using the Electronic Filing System. I further certify that a copy has also been furnished by United States mail to: Todd Scher, Assistant CCRC-S, Michael T. Cookson, Staff Attorney, Capital Collateral Regional Counsel, CCRC – South Region, 110 SE 6th Street, Suite 701, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301, tscher@msn.com cooksonm@ccsr.state.fl.us, ccrcpleadings@ccmr.state.fl.us.

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