

In The Supreme Court of the United States

KAYLE BARRINGTON BATES

Petitioner,

v.

GOVERNOR OF FLORIDA,

Respondent.

**BRIEF IN OPPOSITION TO PETITION FOR A WRIT OF CERTIORARI
TO THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE ELEVENTH CIRCUIT**

**RESPONSE TO MOTION TO STAY THE EXECUTION
EXECUTION SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 19, 2025 AT 6:00 P.M.**

PROOF OF SERVICE

I, C. Suzanne Bechard, a member of the Bar of this Court, hereby certify that on this 18th day of August 2025, a true and correct copy of the State's Brief in Opposition 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 Christina Mathieson, Office of the Federal Public Defender, Northern District of Florida Capital Habeas Unit, 227 N. Bronough Street, Suite 4200, Tallahassee, Florida 32301, christina_mathieson@fd.org and Katherine A. Blair, Office of the Federal Public Defender, Northern District of Florida Capital Habeas Unit, 227 N. Bronough Street, Suite 4200, Tallahassee, Florida 32301, katherine_blair@fd.org.

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