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May 19, 2021

Mr. Jorge E. Navarrete Clerk/Executive Officer Supreme Court of California 350 McAllister Street San Francisco, California

Re: People v. McDaniel, S171393;

Argument scheduled for June 2, 2021

#### NOTICE OF SUPPLEMENTAL AUTHORITIES

Mr. Navarrete,

This case is scheduled for oral argument at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 2, 2020. For the Court's consideration, appellant cites the following additional authorities, relevant to two of the appellate issues, not contained in the briefs on file.

## McDaniel AOB: Claim I, violation of Batson and Wheeler

People v. Hardy (2018) 5 Cal.5th 56, 82 ["that the juror did not want to sit in the case was a legitimate race-neutral reason" but "it was also a rather weak reason. Many prospective jurors do not want to sit on a jury in a death penalty case, including some in this case the prosecutor did not challenge."]; see also *ibid*. [that juror "said he believed life without the possibility of parole to be a worse punishment than death. . . is another legitimate race-neutral reason to exercise a peremptory challenge" but "might also be considered a weak reason"]

# McDaniel 3d Supp. AOB: Violation of Article I, section 16:

Phillips, On the Powers and Duties of Juries and on the Criminal Laws of England (2d ed. 1813) [from chapter "On the Unanimity of Juries": "In every issue or question to be tried or decided by a Jury, there lies or exists some Truth; . . . So a just verdict necessarily commands the assent of all the Jury.

The moral questions connected with trials do not indeed afford the same species of demonstration as geometry; but unanimity of conclusion in regard to verdicts is a similar test of truth; and is the best test that in such cases can be obtained, or desired"].)

Thank you for your attention.

Very Truly Yours, /s/ Elias Batchelder Supervising Deputy State Public Defender

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Re: PEOPLE v. DON'TE McDANIEL Supreme Court No. S171393 (Superior Court No. TA074274)

I, Kecia Bailey, declare that I am over 18 years of age, and not a party to the within cause; that my business address is 1111 Broadway, 10th Floor, Oakland, California 94607; I served a true copy of the attached:

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. Signed on May 19, 2021, at Sacramento, California.

> /s/ Kecia Bailey **KECIA BAILEY**

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