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October 21, 2020

Mr. Jorge E. Navarrete, Clerk and Executive Officer  
Supreme Court of California  
350 McAllister Street  
San Francisco, CA 94102-3600

Re: People v. Brian David Johnsen, S040704  
Argument Scheduled for November 3, 2020 – Focus Issues for Argument

Dear Mr. Navarrete:

I will be presenting argument in this case on behalf of appellant, Brian David Johnsen, on the 9:00 a.m. calendar, on Tuesday, November 3, 2020. I will be requesting 45 minutes for argument and intend to focus on the following issue (numbered as it appears in Appellant's Opening Brief):

**II. The Trial Court Committed Reversible Error At Both The Guilt And Penalty Phases By Admitting Incriminating Statements Elicited From Appellant By Jailhouse Informant Eric Holland In Violation Of Appellant's Sixth Amendment Right To Counsel.**

Depending on the time remaining, I may also address the following claim:

**VII. Reversal Of The Death Judgment Is Required Because Of The Trial Court's Failure To Excuse A Juror Who Admittedly Violated Her Oath And Instructions By Contacting Her Priest And Learning The Church's Position On The Death Penalty, But If Not, The Court's Failure To Conduct An Adequate Inquiry Into Such Misconduct Requires Reversal.**

Thank you for bringing this letter to the Court's attention.

Sincerely,

/S/

NEOMA KENWOOD

Attorney for Appellant JOHNSEN

**PEOPLE V. BRIAN DAVID JOHNSEN, Automatic Appeal No. S040704**  
**Stanislaus County Superior Ct. No. R239682**

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/s/ Neoma Kenwood  
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