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RE: People v. Angelina Rodriguez (Death Penalty)
Case No. S122123; Our File No. LA2004XS0001

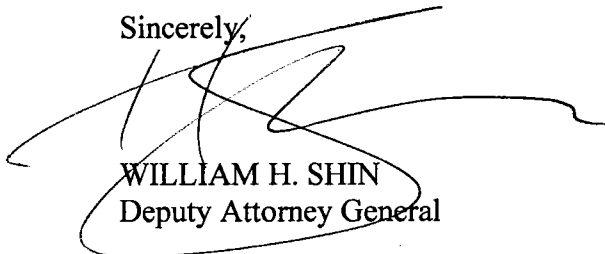
Frank A. McGuire Clerk

Deputy

Dear Mr. McGuire:

The Court has requested that counsel advise the Court and opposing counsel by letter of those issues on which counsel expects to focus at oral argument, calendared for January 7, 2014. As counsel for respondent, I intend to focus my argument on the issues identified in opposing counsel's focus letter. I have currently been advised that appellant will focus on: claim number 2, regarding the alleged violation of appellant's right to counsel by subjecting her to unlawful and inhumane conditions of confinement; claim number 3, regarding the alleged violation of appellant's right to counsel by denying telephone access and interfering with her legal mail; claim number 4, regarding the alleged error in failing to discharge appellant's retained counsel upon request; claim number 5, regarding the alleged error in denying appellant's request to discharge her appointed counsel; and claim number 6, regarding the alleged error in denying her right to a competency hearing. In addition, I will be prepared to address any matter of interest to the Court.

Sincerely,


WILLIAM H. SHIN
Deputy Attorney General

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE BY U.S. MAIL

Case Name: **People v. Angelina Rodriguez**
Case No.: **S122123**

I declare:

I am employed in the Office of the Attorney General, which is the office of a member of the California State Bar, at which member's direction this service is made. I am 18 years of age or older and not a party to this matter. I am familiar with the business practice at the Office of the Attorney General for collection and processing of correspondence for mailing with the United States Postal Service. In accordance with that practice, correspondence placed in the internal mail collection system at the Office of the Attorney General is deposited with the United States Postal Service with postage thereon fully prepaid that same day in the ordinary course of business.

On December 17, 2013, I served the attached **FOCUS ISSUE LETTER** by placing a true copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope in the internal mail collection system at the Office of the Attorney General at 300 South Spring Street, Suite 1702, Los Angeles, CA 90013, addressed as follows:

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed on December 17, 2013, at Los Angeles, California.

E. Obeso
Declarant



Signature