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January 24, 2024

LETTER PETITION FOR CERTIFICATION ON BEHALF OF DEFENDANT-PETITIONER

Honorable Chief Justice and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of New Jersey Hughes Justice Complex Trenton, New Jersey 08625

Re: State of New Jersey (Plaintiff-Respondent) v. Fuquan K. Knight (Defendant-Petitioner)

> Supreme Court Docket No. 088970 App. Div. Docket No. A-0377-20

On Petition For Certification From A Final Judgment Of The Superior Court Of New Jersey, Appellate Division Sat Below: Hon. Sabatino, P.J.A.D.

Hon. Marczyk, J.A.D.

Hon. Chase, J.A.D.

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Honorable Justices:

On December 21, 2023, in an unpublished written opinion, the Appellate Division affirmed the judgment of conviction and the sentence imposed that was entered against petitioner in the Superior Court of New Jersey Law Division, Criminal Part, Essex County. See State v. Knight, Appellate Division Docket No. A-0377-20 (App. Div. December 21, 2023). A Notice of Petition For Certification was filed on or about December 21, 2023. Since the issues presented in the defendant-petitioner's appeal have substantial merit, he submits this letter form of petition for certification. Petitioner will rely upon the issues raised in his Appellate Division brief and appendix.

Counsel certifies that this petition is filed in good faith and not for purposes of delay. Should the Court grant petitioner's petition, he reserves the right to submit a supplemental brief and appendix.

Respectfully submitted,

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