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Reyna S. Walters-Morgan Senior Counsel & Intergovernmental Affairs Director Office of Legislative Affairs Department of Justice

Dear Ms. Walters-Morgan,

I am writing in response to your office's letter dated May 24, 2023, regarding Arizona's application for certification, pursuant to Chapter 154 of Title 28 of the United States Code, of the State's mechanism for appointing counsel in postconviction proceedings for indigent prisoners subject to capital sentences.

As you know, Arizona submitted a supplemental submission on June 24, 2022, and your office requested further information based on six public comments. Arizona has attempted to provide all information germane to Chapter 154 and 28 C.F.R. § 26.22's requirements along with your office's inquiries, and at this time has no further information to provide. Accordingly, I am respectfully requesting that the Attorney General make a final determination based on the information Arizona has conveyed. Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

Jason D. Lewis

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