ADNAN SYED

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Petitioner

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STATE OF MARYLAND

BALTIMORE CITY

Respondent

CASE NOs. 199103042-46

PETITION NO. 10432

NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE APPLICATION FOR LEAVE TO APPEAL AND REQUEST TO STAY ORDER GRANTING POST-CONVICTION RELIEF

The State of Maryland, by its attorneys, Brian E. Frosh, Attorney General of Maryland, and Thiruvendran Vignarajah, Deputy Attorney General, states its intention to file an application for leave to appeal and respectfully requests that this Court stay its order pursuant to Section 7-109(b) of the Criminal Procedure Article of the Maryland Code.

- 1. In February 2000, a jury convicted Petitioner Adnan Syed of the first-degree murder of Hae Min Lee, for which he was sentenced to life in prison on June 6, 2000. Petitioner's motion for a new trial, his direct appeals, and original post-conviction petition were denied.
- 2. While Petitioner's appeal of the denial of his post-conviction petition was pending before the Court of Special Appeals, a limited remand was ordered, and subsequently this Court granted Petitioner's motion to reopen the post-conviction proceedings and conducted a hearing in February 2016.
- 3. On June 30, 2016, this Court granted Petitioner's request for post-conviction relief on one of the grounds asserted by Petitioner, vacated his convictions, and granted Petitioner's request for a new trial.
- 4. Section 7-109(a) of the Criminal Procedure Article provides that, within 30 days, the State may apply to the Court of Special Appeals for leave to appeal a post-conviction order in these circumstances.¹
- 5. The State of Maryland states its intention to file an application for leave to appeal and now respectfully requests, pursuant to Section 7-109(b), that this Court stay its order vacating

¹ Because 30 days from June 30, 2016, falls on a Saturday (July 30, 2016), the State is required to file its application for leave to appeal by Monday, August 1, 2016. See Md. Rule 1-203(a)(1).

Petitioner's convictions and granting Petitioner's request for a new trial, pending further resolution of these matters by the Court of Special Appeals.

WHEREFORE, in accordance with Section 7-109 of the Criminal Procedure Article of the Maryland Code, the State provides notice of its intention to file an application for leave to appeal and respectfully requests that this Court stay its order pending further resolution of these matters by the appellate courts of Maryland.

Respectfully submitted,

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