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Mr. Jorge E. Navarrete
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Re: *People v. Woodruff*, S115378

Mr. Navarrete:

I represent appellant Steve Woodruff and will present oral argument on his behalf before the Supreme Court of California in San Francisco on Tuesday, May 29, 2018.

I intend to focus my argument on three claims in Appellant's Opening Brief:

- Claim A1: Trial judge failed to protect Mr. Woodruff's constitutional rights to fair trial, assistance of counsel, due process.**
Discussion of Claim A1 can be found at AOB pp. 31-48, Response pp. 31-47, and Reply pp. 3-10.

- Claim A4(b): Actions of trial judge, defense counsel and prosecutor denied Mr. Woodruff an impartial jury.**
Discussion of Claim A4(b) can be found at AOB pp. 76-88, Response pp. 68-76, and Reply pp. 23-31.

- Claim B5: Testimony of prosecution's lead investigator was inadmissible and highly prejudicial.**
Discussion of Claim B5 can be found at AOB pp. 127-141, Response pp. 105-117, and Reply pp. 51-55.

I have requested 30 minutes for my oral argument.

Sincerely,



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I, the undersigned, hereby declare:

I am over the age of eighteen years and am not a party to the within-entitled action. On May 11, 2018, I served the attached Appellate Counsel's Focus Letter in the case of Steve Woodruff, appellant, electronically and by placing copies of the application in postage-paid envelopes addressed to the persons listed below and by depositing those envelopes in the United States mail.


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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

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Dennis Cavick

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