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1 The Public Defender Agency and Mr. Bigley have filed a motion 6. 2 for a representation hearing to determine Mr. Gottstein's status in continued litigation 3 4 and on appeal. I am requesting that this court stay the appeal in Case No. S-13353 5 until after the representation hearing, which should be scheduled within the next two 6 weeks. 7 Further your affiant sayeth naught. 8 9 ARGIA. MOCK (87-06037) 10 Assistant Public Defender 11 SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me December 09, 2008. 12 > 13 AND FOR ALASKA NOTA My Commission Expires: With office 14 15 16 17 Anchorage, AK 99501 Phone: 907.334.4400 • Fax: 907.334-.4440 18 19 1.800.478.4404 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

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