

State of South Carolina

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November 2, 2005

Sheriff Wayne Dewitt
Berkeley County Sheriff's Office
Berkeley County Courthouse
300 California Avenue
Moncks Corner, South Carolina 29461-2083
ATTENTION: Jim Edmonds

RE: State of Florida v. Edwin Deshields Thomas - Extradition

Dear Sheriff Dewitt:

An extradition hearing regarding the above-captioned matter was scheduled for Friday, October 28, 2005, at 10:30 am. The subject received notice and failed to appear for the hearing. I spoke with him shortly prior to the hearing and he stated that he was en route to Florida to surrender on the Florida charges. I spoke to his Florida attorney and he advised that he had not spoken to him since Wednesday, October 26, 2005. After a review of the paperwork submitted by the State of Florida in support of the request, the Attorney General's hearing officer has recommended, and Governor Sanford has concurred, to honor the extradition request of the State of Florida for the return of **Edwin Deshields Thomas**.

Accordingly, enclosed are an original and one copy of Governor Sanford's rendition warrant for his return to the State of Florida. Also, enclosed is the agent's commission from the State of Florida which authorizes you to deliver the subject to the agent(s) named therein. Please notify Sheriff Charlie W. Morris, Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office, 1250 Eglin Parkway, Shalimar, Florida 32579-1234, Tel. No. 850-651-7432, when he is available for release. Mr. Bill Detyens, 1551 Ben Sawyer Road, Apt. 24, Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina 29464, Tel. No. 843-971-9602 (H), 843-830-1850 (Cell), should be able to assist in locating Mr. Thomas.

Please notify our office when **Edwin Deshields Thomas** has been returned to Florida so that we may close our files accordingly.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and assistance.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Merritt
Extraditions Counsel

cc: Rita O'Neal, Attorney General's Office
Susan Smith, Florida Extradition Coordinator
Mr. William Detyens, co-signer on bond
Diane Brown, Advance Bonding