

# State of South Carolina

## Office of the Governor



**Mark Sanford**  
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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