STATE BOARD OF PARDONS AND PAROLES



DENIAL OF COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE OF DEATH

WHEREAS: Upon the 23rd day of September, 1997, a sentence of death was imposed on the

defendant in the case of The State of Georgia v. Brandon Astor Jones, EF 122216,

Indictment Number 79-1125, before the Superior Court of Cobb County; and,

WHEREAS: An order of the Superior Court of Cobb County, dated the 13th day of

January, 2016, directs that Brandon Astor Jones shall be executed by the Department of Corrections during a certain period of time commencing at noon on the 2nd day of February, 2016, and ending at noon on the 9th day

of February, 2016; and,

WHEREAS: The State Board of Pardons and Paroles having received, on behalf of Brandon Astor

Jones, an application for clemency requesting that the Board exercise its authority to enter orders staying the execution of Brandon Astor Jones, as well as to commute said

sentence of death to a sentence of life without parole; and,

WHEREAS: The State Board of Pardons and Paroles has reviewed and considered all of the facts

and circumstances of the offender and his offense, the clemency application,

argument, testimony, and opinion in support of clemency;

THEREFORE: Pursuant to the provisions of Article IV, Section II, Paragraph II (a) and (d) of the

Constitution of the State of Georgia, by the Members of the State Board of Pardons and Paroles, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the clemency application on behalf of Brandon Astor Jones requesting his execution be stayed and that his sentence of death

be commuted to a sentence of life without parole is **DENIED**.

For the State Board of Pardons and Paroles on this 1st day of February, 2016.

