

**IN THE SUPREME COURT  
STATE OF FLORIDA**

**DONALD JAMES SMITH**  
**Appellant**

**vs.**

**Case No.: SC18-822**  
**LT Case No. 16-2013-CF-005781-AXXXMA**

**STATE OF FLORIDA**  
**Appellee**

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**NOTICE OF APPEARANCE OF COUNSEL**

The undersigned, H. Kate Bedell, Esquire and the Law Offices of Bedell & Kuritz, pursuant to Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure 3.112, does hereby file their Notice of Appearance of Counsel on behalf of the Defendant in this cause.

1. H. Kate Bedell, Esq. was appointed to this case on August 20, 2019;
2. H. Kate Bedell, Esq. is a member of the Florida Bar and admitted to practice in the jurisdiction;
3. H. Kate Bedell, Esq. is an experienced and active practitioner with at least five years of experience in the field of criminal law;
4. The Law Offices of Bedell and Kuritz has prior experience in the appeal of at least one case where the death sentence was imposed, as well as prior experience as lead counsel in the appeal of no fewer than three felony convictions, at least one being the appeal of a murder conviction;
5. H. Kate Bedell and the Law Offices of Bedell & Kuritz are familiar with the practice and procedure of the appellate courts of the jurisdiction;

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6. H. Kate Bedell and the Law Offices of Bedell & Kuritz have demonstrated the necessary proficiency and commitment which exemplify the quality of representation appropriate to capital cases;
7. H. Kate Bedell has attended a continuing legal education program of at least twelve hours' duration devoted specifically to the defense of capital cases within the last two years.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that a true copy of the foregoing has been furnished to Office of the State Attorney, Duval County, Florida, and the Supreme Court of Florida, via electronic delivery on this 30<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,  
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