

Ron DeSantis Governor

March 13, 2023

Warden Donald Davis Florida State Prison 7819 N.W. 228th Street Raiford, Florida 32036-1000

Re: Execution Date for Louis Bernard Gaskin, DC# 751166

Dear Warden Davis:

Enclosed is the death warrant that I signed to carry out the sentence for Louis Bernard Gaskin, as well as certified copies of his judgment and sentence. I have designated the week beginning at 12:00 noon on Wednesday, April 12, 2023, through 12:00 noon on Wednesday, April 19, 2023, for the execution. I have been advised that you have set the date and time of execution for Wednesday, April 12, at 6:00 p.m.

This letter is incorporated into and made a part of the death warrant identified above.

Sincerely,

Ron DeSantis Governor

Enclosures

Warden Donald Davis March 13, 2023 Page 2

CC:

Honorable Carlos G. Muñiz Chief Justice Supreme Court of Florida 500 S. Duval Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Honorable James R. Clayton Chief Judge, 7th Judicial Circuit 101 N. Alabama Avenue DeLand, FL 32724

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Louis Bernard Gaskin, DC #751166 Union Correctional Institution 7819 N.W. 228th Street Raiford, Florida 32026-4000



STATE OF FLORIDA

ASHLEY MOODY ATTORNEY GENERAL

March 13, 2023

The Honorable Ron DeSantis Governor The Capitol Tallahassee, Florida 32399—0001

RE: Louis B. Gaskin

Dear Governor DeSantis:

Louis B. Gaskin was found guilty of first-degree murder on June 15, 1990, for the December 20, 1989, murders of Robert Sturmfels and Georgette Sturmfels in Flagler County, Florida. Gaskin was also found guilty of armed robbery of the Sturmfels and guilty of armed burglary of the Sturmfels' residence. Additionally, the jury found him guilty of attempted first-degree murder of Joseph Rector; guilty of armed robbery of the Rectors; and guilty of burglary of the Rector's home that same night. Gaskin was sentenced to death for the Sturmfels' murders on June 19, 1990, by the trial court, following the jury's 8-4 death recommendation.

The Florida Supreme Court, on direct appeal, affirmed Gaskin's convictions and sentences of death on December 5, 1991, but remanded in part because the trial court improperly adjudicated Gaskin guilty of premeditated and felony murder. The Florida Supreme Court vacated two of the four adjudications for first degree murder (one for each victim) leaving in place two convictions and death sentences in *Gaskin v. State, 591 So.2d State* 917 (Fla. 1991). On March 16, 1992, Gaskin filed a petition for writ of certiorari in the United States Supreme Court. On June 29, 1992, the United States Supreme Court granted Gaskin's petition, vacated the judgment, and remanded the case to the Florida Supreme Court to reconsider Florida's heinous, atrocious, and cruel aggravator addressed in *Espinosa v. Florida*, 505 U.S. 1079 (1992). *Gaskin v. Florida*, 505 U.S. 1216 (1992).

The Florida Supreme Court on remand found that Gaskin did not preserve the vagueness issue for review addressed in *Espinosa*. Further, the Court determined that were the court to address the issue, the instruction was harmless as it related to the murder of Georgette Sturmfels and would not have affected the jury's recommendation of death in her case. *Gaskin v State*, 615 So.2d 679 (Fla. 1993), *cert. denied, Gaskin v. Florida*, 510 U.S. 925 (1993).

On March 21, 1995, Gaskin filed his initial motion for post-conviction relief. That motion was summarily denied by the state trial court on January 17, 1997. On July 1, 1999, the Florida Supreme Court affirmed in part most claims but remanded to the trial court for an evidentiary hearing to address Gaskin's effective assistance of counsel claims. *Gaskin v. State*, 737 So.2d 509 (Fla. 1999). The trial court, on remand, held the necessary evidentiary hearing on April 13, 2000, and again denied all relief on August 24, 2000. The Florida Supreme Court on appeal from its remand affirmed the denial of relief on June 13, 2002, in *Gaskin v. State*, 822 So.2d 1243 (Fla. 2002).

Gaskin filed his initial federal petition for writ of habeas corpus in the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida on June 27, 2003. The federal district court denied the petition on March 23, 2006, and denied a certificate of appealability (COA) in *Gaskin v. McNeil*, 2010 WL 419401 (N.D. Fla. Jan. 29, 2010). *Gaskin v. Sec'y, Fla. Dep't of Corr.*, 3:02-CV-547 (M.D. Fla. March 23, 2006).

Gaskin appealed the denial of relief and filed an application for certificate of appealability (COA) in the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals on April 18, 2006. On August 3, 2007, the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals affirmed the District Court's denial of relief. *Gaskin v. Sec'y, Fla. Dep't of Corr.*, 494 F.3d 997 (11th Cir. 2007).

On May 6, 2015, Gaskin filed a successive motion for post-conviction relief in the state trial court. Relief was denied on August 6, 2015. He appealed the denial of relief on October 16, 2015. On January 19, 2017, the Florida Supreme Court affirmed the trial court's denial of relief. *Gaskin v. State*, 218 So.3d 399 (Fla. 2017).

Gaskin filed a second successive post-conviction motion in the trial court on January 10, 2017, raising a *Hurst v. Florida*, 577 U.S. 92 (2016), claim. That motion was denied on October 12, 2017. Gaskin's August 15, 2017, petition for writ of certiorari filed in the United States Supreme Court regarding *Hurst*, was denied on November 27, 2017. *Gaskin v. Florida*, 138 S.Ct. 471 (Mem), 199 L.Ed. 2d 362, 86 USLW 3264 (U.S. Nov. 27, 2017). His December 12, 2017, appeal to the Florida Supreme Court on the *Hurst* issue was denied when the Court affirmed the trial court's ruling finding Gaskin was not entitled to relief. *Gaskin v. State*, 237 So.3d 928 (Fla. 2018) *cert. denied*, *Gaskin v. Florida*, 139 S.Ct. 327 (Mem),2018 WL 3660050 (Oct. 9, 2018).

On July 1, 2019 and May 6, 2020, Gaskin filed identical All Writs pleadings in the Florida Supreme Court. Both were dismissed because they were unauthorized *pro se* pleadings on January 6, 2019, and May 13, 2020, respectively.

The record has been reviewed and there are no stays of execution issued by any court of competent jurisdiction in this cause. Based upon the above-referenced summary of litigation affirming the judgments and sentences of death imposed for first-degree murder, the record is legally sufficient to support the issuance of a death warrant.

Sincerely,

Shly Moody Ashley Moody

Attorney General

DEATH WARRANT STATE OF FLORIDA

WHEREAS, LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN, on or about the 20th day of December, 1989, murdered Robert and Georgette Sturmfels; and

WHEREAS, LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN, on the 15th day of June, 1990, was found guilty of two counts of first degree murder, two counts of armed robbery, two counts of armed burglary, and attempted first degree murder, and on the 19th day of June, 1990, was sentenced to death for the murders of Robert and Georgette Sturmfels; and

WHEREAS, on the 5th day of December, 1991, the Supreme Court of Florida affirmed the conviction and death sentence of LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN, and following remand from the United States Supreme Court, the Florida Supreme Court affirmed LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN's sentence on the 18th day of March, 1993; and

WHEREAS, on the 1st day of July, 1999, the Florida Supreme Court partially affirmed the trial court order denying LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN's initial Motion for Postconviction Relief, and on the 13th day of June, 2002, the Supreme Court of Florida affirmed the trial court order denying the remainder of LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN's initial postconviction claims; and

WHEREAS, on the 23rd day of March, 2006, the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida denied LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN's federal Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus, and the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit affirmed the denial of LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN's habeas petition on the 3rd day of August, 2007; and

WHEREAS, further postconviction motions and petitions filed by LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN have been denied, and such denials subsequently affirmed on appeal; and

WHEREAS, executive clemency for LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN, as authorized by Article IV, Section 8(a), of the Florida Constitution, was considered pursuant to the Rules of Executive Clemency, and it has been determined that executive clemency is not appropriate; and WHEREAS, attached hereto is a certified copy of the record of the conviction and sentence pursuant to section 922.052, Florida Statutes.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RON DESANTIS, as Governor of the State of Florida and pursuant to the authority and responsibility vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of Florida, do hereby issue this warrant, directing the Warden of the Florida State Prison to cause the sentence of death to be executed upon LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN, in accordance with the provisions of the Laws of the State of Florida.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 13th day of March, 2023.

GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE

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	PROBATION VIOLATOR (Check if Applicable)	IN THE CIRCUIT	COURT, SEVENTH
		FLAGLER	COUNTY, FLORIDA
		DIVISION C	
	STATE OF FLORIDA	CASE NUMBER	90-01-CFA
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	efendant, EOUIS BERNARD GASKIN a/k/a		, being personally before this
Court repre	sented by RAYMOND CASS, JR., ESQ.,	APD, his a	ttorney of record, and having:
(Check App Provision		ollowing crime(s)	
COUNT	CRIME	OFFENSE STATUTE NUMBER(S)	DEGREE CASE OF CRIME NUMBER
_I	FIRST DEGREE MURDER	<u>782.04(1)(a)1</u>	CAPITAL
II	FIRST DEGREE MURDER	782.04(1)(a)2	CAPITAL de attachter
III	FIRST DEGREE MURDER	782.04(1)(a)1	CAPITAL
IV	FIRST DEGREE MURDER	782.04(1)(a)2	CAPITAL R. 19/90
V	ARMED ROBBERY WITH FIREARM	812.13(1)&(2)(à)	IF PPBL.
VI	BURGLARY OF DWELLING WWITH	810.02(2)(b)	IF P.B.L.
VII	ATTEMPTED FIRST DEGREE MURDER WITH FIREARM	782.04(1)(a)16	LIFE
IX	ARMED ROBBERY WITH FIREARM	777.04 812.13(1)&(2)(a)	1FP.B.L.

X BURCLARY OF DWELLING WITH FIRE - 810.02(2)(b) IF P.B.L. and no cause having been shown why the Defendant should not be adjudicated guilty, IT IS ORDERED THAT the Defendant is hereby ADJUDICATED GUILTY of the above crime(s).

The Defendant is hereby ordered to pay the sum of Twenty dollars (\$20.00) pursuant to F.S. 960.20 (Crimes Compensation Trust Fund). The Defendant is further ordered to pay the sum of \$3.00 as a court cost pursuant to F.S. 943.25(4) and the sum of \$_____as a court cost pursuant to F.S. 943.25(8)(a).

- The Defendant is ordered to pay an additional sum of two dollars (\$2.00) pursuant to F.S. 943.25(8).
 - (This provision is optional; not applicable unless checked).

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The Court hereby imposes additional court costs in the sum of \$ ______ pursuant to F.S. 27.3455(1).

(Check if Applicable)

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BOOK 0015P0014

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Imposition of Sentence Stayed and Withheld (Check if Applicable) and places the Defendant on probation for a period of under the supervision of the Department of Corrections (conditions of probation set forth in separate order.)

Sentence Deferred Until Later Date (Check if Applicable)

The Defendant in Open Court was advised of his right to appeal from this Judgment by filling notice of appeal with the Clerk of Court within thirty days following the date sentence is imposed or probation is ordered pursuant to this adjudication. The Defendant was also advised of his right to the assistance of counsel in taking said appeal at the expense of the State upon showing of indigency.

FINGERPRINTS OF DEFENDANT

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6. L. Thumb	7. L. Index	8. L. Middle	9. L. Ring	10. L. Little
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Fingerprints taken by:

Name and Title

DONE AND ORDERED in Open Court at FLAGLER County, Florida, this <u>19th</u> day of <u>JUNE</u> A.D., 19 90 ... I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing fingerprints are the fingerprints of the Defendant, <u>LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN</u> and that they were placed thereon by said Defendant in my presence in Open Court this date.

Judgment and Sentence and Written Findings in Support of Sentence as to CTS I-IV, attached hereto and made a part of the Judgment and Sentence.

JUDGE

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I HEREBY CERTIFY this to be a true And correct copy of the original TOM BEXLEY CLERK & COMPTROLLER

der. 2 BOOK 0015P00015 LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN Defendant _ Case Number _____90-01-CFA SENTENCE (As to Count ____V The Defendant, being personally before this Court, accompanied by his attorney, RAYMOND CASS, JR., ESQ. , , and having been adjudicated gullty herein, and the Court having given the Defendant an opportunity to be heard and to offer matters in mitigation of sentence, and to show cause why he should not be sentenced as provided by law, and no cause being shown. and the Court having on ____ _____ deferred imposition of sentence (date) until this date. (Check either provision if applicable) and the Court having placed the Defendant on probation and having subsequently revoked the Defendant's probation by separate order entered herein, IT IS THE SENTENCE OF THE LAW that: The Defendant pay a fine of \$ ____ __ as the 5% surcharge required by F.S. 960.25., plus \$ 衵 The Defendant is hereby committed to the custody of the Department of Corrections The Defendant is hereby committed to the custody of the Sheriff* of _ — County, Florida (Name of local corrections authority to be inserted at printing, if other than Sheriff) To be imprisoned (check one; unmarked sections are inapplicable) For a term of Natural Life For a term of THIRTY YEARS 枑 For a term of ____ For an indeterminate period of 6 months to ____ ___vears. Followed by a period of _ __ on probation under the supervision of the Department of Corrections according to the terms and conditions of probation set forth in a If "split" sentence separate order entered herein. complete either of However, after serving a period of _____ imprisonment in these two paragraphs the balance of such sentence shall be suspended and the Defendant shall be placed on probation for a period of _____ under supervision of the Department of Corrections according to the terms and conditions of probation set forth in a separate order entered herein. SPECIAL PROVISIONS By appropriate notation, the following provisions apply to the sentence imposed in this section: Firearm — 3 year **X**1 It is further ordered that the 3 year minimum provisions of F.S. 775.087(2) are hereby imposed mandatory minimum for the sentence specified in this count, as the Defendant possessed a firearm. Drug Trafficking -it is further ordered that the __ _year minimum provisions of F.S. 893.135(1) ()() mandatory minimum are hereby imposed for the sentence specified in this count. Retention of The Court pursuant to F.S. 947.16(3) retains jurisdiction over the defendant for review of any Jurisdiction Parole Commission release order for the period of _____. The requisite findings by the Court are set forth in a separate order or stated on the record in open court. The Defendant is adjudged a habitual offender and has been sentenced to an extended term Habitual Offender in this sentence in accordance with the provisions of F.S. 775.084(4)(a). The requisite findings by the court are set forth in a separate order or stated on the record in open court. Jail Credit ਣ It is further ordered that the Defendant shall be allowed a total of <u>201 DAYS</u> credit for such time as he has been incarcerated prior to imposition of this sentence. Such credit reflects the following periods of incarceration (optional):

Consecutive/Concurrent

It is further ordered that the sentence imposed for this count shall run \overline{D} consecutive to \Box concurrent with (check one) the sentence set forth in count \underline{I} , \underline{II} , \underline{III} , \underline{C} above. I Hove.

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Defendant LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN

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Case Number 90-01-CFA

SENTENCE

(As to Count _____

The Defendant, being personally before this Court, accompanied by his attorney, RAYMOND CASS, JR., ESQ.

, and having been adjudicated guilty herein, and the Court having given the Defendant an opportunity to be heard and to offer matters in mitigation of sentence, and to show cause why he should not be sentenced as provided by law, and no cause being shown.

and the Court having on ______ deferred imposition of sentence until this date. (date)

and the Court having placed the Defendant on probation and having subsequently revoked the Defendant's probation by separate order entered herein,

IT IS THE SENTENCE OF THE LAW that;

□ The Defendant pay a fine of \$_____, plus \$_____ as the 5% surcharge required by F.S. 960.25.

The Defendant is hereby committed to the custody of the Department of Corrections

The Defendant is hereby committed to the custody of the Sheriff* of ______ County, Florida (Name of local corrections authority to be inserted at printing, if other than Sheriff)

To be imprisoned (check one; unmarked sections are inapplicable)

- YE For a term of Natural Life
- For a term of _____
- For an indeterminate period of 6 months to _____ years.

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(Check either provision if applicable)

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Defendant LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN

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Case Number 90-01-CFA

SENTENCE

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Defendant LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN

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Case Number 90-01-CFA

SENTENCE

(As to Count ____IX

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Defendant LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN

deferred imposition of sentence

Case Number 90-01-CFA

SENTENCE

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until this date.

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		Defendant LOUIS GASKIN
		Case Number 90-01-CFA
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	Any active sentence being	ng served.
	Specific sentences:	
In the event the above County, Florida is hereby ord of this Judgment and Sente	dered and directed to deliver the De	Corrections, the Sheriff of <u>FLAGLER</u> fendant to the Department of Corrections together with a copy
The Defendant in Open	Court was advised of his right to ac	ppeal from this Sentence by filing notice of appeal within thirty
the expense of the State up	on showing of indigency.	ant's right to the assistance of counsel in taking said appeal at

In imposing the above sentence, the Court further recommends _____

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DONE AND ORDERED in Open Court at _____FLAGLER _____County, Florida, this _____ of _JUNE _____A.D., 19 _____.

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19th day





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In considering both aggravating and mitigating circumstances surrounding the murder of Robert Sturmfels, this Court concludes that the aggravating circumstances found herein, proven beyond a reasonable doubt, outweigh all mitigating circumstances, as indicated in the written findings attached hereto.

There being no legal cause shown why the judgment and sentence of the law should not be pronounced, the Court adjudges that you, the Defendant, Louis Bernard Gaskin, are guilty of the crime of FIRST DEGREE MURDER (PREMEDITATED) and FIRST DEGREE MURDER (FELONY MURDER). It is the sentence of the Court that you, the Defendant, be taken into the custody of the Department of Corrections and there at an appointed place and time be put to death.

You have an automatic appeal to the Supreme Court of Florida from the judgment of guilt and the sentence the Court has imposed.

DONE AND ORDERED in Open Court at Flagler County, Florida, this 19th day of June A.D., 1990.

HAMMOND, CIRCUIT JUDGE





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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FLAGLER COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NUMBER: 90-01-CFA

STATE OF FLORIDA

vs.

LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN a/k/a LOUIS BERNARD GASKINS,

Defendant.

JUDGMENT AND SENTENCE

The Defendant, Louis Bernard Gaskin a/k/a Louis Bernard Gaskins, now stands before this Court for sentencing, being represented by Raymond Cass, his attorney of record, and having been tried and found guilty by a jury of twelve of his peers of COUNT I-FIRST DEGREE MURDER (PREMEDITATED) and COUNT II-FIRST DEGREE MURDER (FELONY MURDER). The Defendant was adjudicated guilty on June 15, 1990, and thereafter the jury rendered an advisory opinion that the death sentence be imposed.

Mr. Cass, is there any legal cause why the judgment and sentence of the law should not be pronounced?

The Court has considered the aggravating and mitigating circumstances presented in this case and finds them as provided in the "WRITTEN FINDINGS IN SUPPORT OF SENTENCE FOR THE MURDER OF ROBERT STURMFELS" attached hereto and incorporated herein as a part of this sentence.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FLAGLER COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NUMBER: 90-01-CFA

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LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN a/k/a LOUIS BERNARD GASKINS,

Defendant.

JUDGMENT AND SENTENCE

The Defendant, Louis Bernard Gaskin a/k/a Louis Bernard Gaskins, now stands before this Court for sentencing, being represented by Raymond Cass, his attorney of record, and having been tried and found guilty by a jury of twelve of his peers of COUNT III-FIRST DEGREE MURDER (PREMEDITATED) and COUNT IV-FIRST DEGREE MURDER (FELONY MURDER). The Defendant was adjudicated guilty on June 15, 1990, and thereafter the jury rendered an advisory opinion that the death sentence be imposed.

Mr. Cass, is there any legal cause why the judgment and sentence of the law should not be pronounced?

The Court has considered the aggravating and mitigating circumstances presented in this case and finds them as provided in the "WRITTEN FINDINGS IN SUPPORT OF SENTENCE FOR THE MURDER OF GEORGETTE STURMFELS" attached hereto and incorporated herein as a part of this sentence.



In considering both aggravating and mitigating circumstances surrounding the murder of Georgette Sturmfels, this Court concludes that the appravating circumstances found herein, proven beyond a reasonable doubt, outweigh all mitigating circumstances, as indicated in the written findings attached hereto.

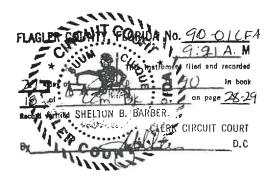
There being no legal cause shown why the judgment and sentence of the law should not be pronounced, the Court adjudges that you, the Defendant, Louis Bernard Gaskin, are guilty of the crime of FIRST DEGREE MURDER (PREMEDITATED) and FIRST DEGREE MURDER (FELONY MURDER). It is the sentence of the Court that you, the Defendant, be taken into the custody of the Department of Corrections and there at an appointed place and time be put to death.

You have an automatic appeal to the Supreme Court of Florida from the judgment of guilt and the sentence the Court has imposed. Should for any reason this sentence be reduced to life imprisonment without parole for 25 years, then, in that event, the sentence shall run <u>consecutive</u> to the sentence imposed for Count I and/or Count II of this case.

DONE AND ORDERED in Open Court at Flagler County, Florida, this 19th day of June A.D., 1990.

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HAMMOND, CIRCUIT JUDGE



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[PROBATION VIOLATOR (Check if Applicable)	IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, <u>SEVENTH</u> JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR
		FLAGLER COUNTY, FLORIDA
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	STATE OF FLORIDA	CASE NUMBER 90-01-CFA
	VS-	
	BERNARD GASKIN a/k/a BERNARD GASKINS	
The Def	Defendant A M E D JUDGN endant, LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN a/k/a LOU	IS BERNARD GASKINS
Court repres	ented by RAYMOND CASS, JR., ESQ	, APD , his attorney of record, and having:
(Check Appli Provision)		following crime(s)
COUNT	CRIME	OFFENSE STATUTE DEGREE CASE NUMBER(S) OF CRIME NUMBER
V	ARMED ROBBERY WITH FIREARM	812.13(1)&(2)(a) 1F P.B.L.
IX	ARMED ROBBERY WITH FIREARM	812.13(1)&(2)(a) 1F P.B.L.
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and no cause having been shown why the Defendant should not be adjudicated guilty, IT IS ORDERED THAT the Defendant is hereby ADJUDICATED GUILTY of the above crime(s).

The Defendant is hereby ordered to pay the sum of Twenty dollars (\$20.00) pursuant to F.S. 960.20 (Crimes Compensation Trust Fund). The Defendant is further ordered to pay the sum of \$3.00 as a court cost pursuant to F.S. 943.25(4) and the sum of \$______as a court cost pursuant to F.S. 943.25(8)(a).

- □ The Defendant is ordered to pay an additional sum of two dollars (\$2.00) pursuant to F.S. 943.25(8).
 - (This provision is optional; not applicable unless checked).

(Check if Applicable)



Imposition of Sentence Stayed and Withheld (Check if Applicable) The Court hereby stays and withholds the imposition of sentence as to count(s) and places the Defendant on probation for a period of under the supervision of the Department of Corrections (conditions of probation set forth in separate order.)

The Court hereby defers imposition of sentence until _____

(date)

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Sentence Deferred Until Later Date (Check if Applicable)

The Defendant in Open Court was advised of his right to appeal from this Judgment by filling notice of appeal with the Clerk of Court within thirty days following the date sentence is imposed or probation is ordered pursuant to this adjudication. The Defendant was also advised of his right to the assistance of counsel in taking said appeal at the expense of the State upon showing of indigency.

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DONE AND ORDERED in Open Court at <u>FLAGLER</u> County, Florida, this <u>9th</u> day of <u>AUGUST</u> A.D., 19 <u>90</u> . I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing fingerprints are the fingerprints of the Defendant, <u>LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN</u> and that they were placed thereon by said Defendant in my presence in Open Court this date.

JUDGE



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Defendant LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN

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Case Number 90-01-CFA

A M E N D E D SENTENCE

(As to Count _____)

The Defendant, being personally before this Court, accompanied by his attorney, RAYMOND CASS, JR.,

ESQ., APD, , and having been adjudicated guilty herein, and the Court having given the Defendant an opportunity to be heard and to offer matters in mitigation of sentence, and to show cause why he should not be sentenced as provided by law, and no cause being shown.

law, and no cause beir	ng show	n.
(Check either provision if applicable)		and the Court having on deferred imposition of sentence until this date. (date)
		and the Court having placed the Defendant on probation and having subsequently revoked the Defendant's probation by separate order entered herein,
IT IS THE SET	NTENCE	OF THE LAW that;
The Defendant pa	y a fine d	of \$, plus \$ as the 5% surcharge required by F.S. 960.25.
The Defendant is	hereby c	committed to the custody of the Department of Corrections ommitted to the custody of the Sheriff* ofCounty, Florida s authority to be inserted at printing, if other than Sheriff)
To be Imprisoned (chec	ck one; L	Inmarked sections are inapplicable)
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		minate period of 6 months toyears.
If "split" sentence		Followed by a period of on probation under the supervision of the Depart- ment of Corrections according to the terms and conditions of probation set forth in a separate order entered herein.
complete either of these two paragraphs -		However, after serving a period of Imprisonment in the balance of such sentence shall be suspended and the Defendant shall be placed on pro- bation for a period of under supervision of the Department of Corrections according to the terms and conditions of probation set forth in a separate order entered herein.
		SPECIAL PROVISIONS
By appropriate notation	n, the fo	lowing provisions apply to the sentence imposed in this section:
Firearm — 3 year mandatory minimum	X ⊇	It is further ordered that the 3 year minimum provisions of F.S. 775.087(2) are hereby imposed for the sentence specified in this count, as the Defendant possessed a firearm.
Drug Trafficking — mandatory minimum		It is further ordered that the year minimum provisions of F.S. 893.135(1) ()() are hereby imposed for the sentence specified in this count.
Retention of Jurisdiction		The Court pursuant to F.S. 947.16(3) retains jurisdiction over the defendant for review of any Parole Commission release order for the period of The requisite findings by the Court are set forth in a separate order or stated on the record in open court.
Habitual Offender		The Defendant is adjudged a habitual offender and has been sentenced to an extended term in this sentence in accordance with the provisions of F.S. 775.084(4)(a). The requisite fin- dings by the court are set forth in a separate order or stated on the record in open court.
Jail Credit		It is further ordered that the Defendant shall be allowed a total of <u>223</u> credit for such time as he has been incarcerated prior to imposition of this sentence. Such credit reflects the following periods of incarceration (optional):
Consecutive/Concurrent		It is further ordered that the sentence imposed for this count shall run D consecutive to Concurrent with (check one) the sentence set forth in counts above.

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Defendant LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN

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Case Number <u>90-01-CFA</u>

A M E N D E D SENTENCE

(As to Count <u>IX</u>)

The Defendant, being personally before this Court, accompanied by his attorney, <u>RAYMOND</u> CASS, JR.,

ESO., APD., and having been adjudicated guilty herein, and the Court having given the Defendant an opportunity to be heard and to offer matters in mitigation of sentence, and to show cause why he should not be sentenced as provided by law, and no cause being shown.

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if applicable)			and the Court having placed the Defendant on probation and having subsequently revoke the Defendant's probation by separate order entered herein,			
IT IS	THE SENT	ENCE	OF THE LAW that;			
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The Defe				ff* of County, Florida		
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			However, after serving a period of Imprisonment in the balance of such sentence shall be suspended and the Defendant shall be placed on pro- bation for a period of under supervision of the Department of Corrections according to the terms and conditions of probation set forth in a separate order entered herein.			
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Jail Credit 🛛 🖾		123	It is further ordered that the Defendant shall be allowed a total of <u>223 DAYS</u> credit for such time as he has been incarcerated prior to imposition of this sentence. Such credit reflects the following periods of incarceration (optional):			

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It is further ordered that the sentence imposed for this count shall run 💭 consecutive to

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		Defendant <u>LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN</u> Case Number <u>90-01-CFA</u>
Consecutive/Concurrent (As to other convictions)	It is further ordered that the composite term \mathfrak{c} this order shall run \Box consecutive to \Box cor	of all sentences imposed for the counts specified in
	Any active sentence being served.	
	Specific sentences:	
		he Sheriff ofFLAGLER e Department of Corrections together with a copy

The Defendant in Open Court was advised of his right to appeal from this Sentence by filing notice of appeal within thirty days from this date with the Clerk of this Court, and the Defendant's right to the assistance of counsel in taking said appeal at the expense of the State upon showing of indigency.

In imposing the above sentence, the Court further recommends

DONE AND ORDERED in Open Court at _____FLAGLER_____County, Florida, this ____9th___ ____ day of <u>AUGUST</u> A.D., 19 90

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FLAGLER COUNTY, FLORIDA

STATE OF FLORIDA

-VS-

CASE NO.: 1990 CF 01

LOUIS BERNARD GASKIN, a/k/a

DIVISION 50: Judge J. David Walsh

LOUIS BERNARD GASKINS, Defendant.

CORRECTED JUDGMENT AND SENTENCE VACATING THE DEATH PENALTY IMPOSED IN COUNTS II AND IV OF THE INDICTMENT AND THE ADJUDICATION OF GUILT IN SAID COUNTS

This cause is before this Court for a Corrected Judgment and Sentence in compliance with a Mandate issued by the Florida Supreme Court. *Gaskin v. State*, 591 So.2d 917 (Fla. 1991). Having reviewed the record and being otherwise fully advised in the premises this Court finds as follows:

In 1991 Defendant Gaskin was convicted of four counts of first-degree murder (two counts of premeditated and two counts of felony murder) involving two victims, one count of attempted first degree murder, two counts of armed robbery and two counts of burglary. As for the murder convictions, the jury recommended a sentence of death by a vote of eight to four. The trial court followed the jury's recommendation, finding four aggravating circumstances, including that both murders were committed in a cold, calculated and premeditated manner, and two mitigating circumstances. The Florida Supreme Court affirmed Gaskin's convictions and sentence but vacated two of the adjudications for first-degree murder, one for each victim, leaving in place two convictions for first degree murder. *See Gaskin*, 591 So.2d at 920. At that

time the Supreme Court also remanded the case for proceedings consistent with that holding. No corrected judgment and sentence was ever entered by this court.¹

Clearly only one homicide conviction and sentence may be imposed for a single death. Gaskin citing Lamb v. State, 532 So.2d 1051 (Fla.1988); Houser v. State, 474 So.2d 1193 (Fla.1985). Therefore, it is

ORDERED and ADJUDGED the felony murder adjudications and the resultant deaths sentences set forth in Counts II and IV of the Indictment are hereby Vacated. The remainder of the June 19th, 1990 Judgment and Sentence remains in full force and effect. It is further,

ORDERED and ADJUDGED the August 13, 1990 Amended Judgment and Sentence is Vacated. It is further,

ORDERED and ADJUDGED that the Clerk of Court file this order in the official records and provide certified copies to any required agencies for use in compliance with the requirements of the law.

DONE and ORDERED in Chambers, Kim C. Hammond Justice Center, Bunnell, Florida this 12th day of August, 2014, **nunc pro tunc** 19th day of June, 1990.

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And correct copy of the original

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TOM BEXLEY

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

Copies to: Office of the State Attorney

Department of Correction ATTN: Bureau of Admissions and Release 501 S. Calhoun Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2500

¹ An amended judgment and sentence was entered on August 13, 1990, prior to the Supreme Court's ruling. Inexplicably, Count III, premeditated murder of the second victim, was changed to burglary of dwelling with a firearm. That offense had already been addressed by the adjudication of guilt and sentence in Count VI. That amendment will also be vacated herein.

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