

**Supreme Court**

No. 99-43-A.

In re Micaela C. :

**ORDER**

This case came before the Supreme Court for oral argument on October 3, 2000, pursuant to an order that directed the respondent, Wesley Spratt, to appear and show cause why this appeal should not be dismissed pursuant to G.L. § 13-6-1, entitled "Civil Death of Life Prisoners." After hearing the arguments of counsel and examining the memoranda filed by the parties, we are satisfied that cause has been shown and enter the following order:

1. The parties are directed to appear before this Court on a date to be selected in order to show cause why this appeal should not be summarily decided on the merits without reference to § 13-6-1.
2. The respondent shall file a memorandum not exceeding ten (10) pages in length within twenty (20) days from the date of this order. Thereafter, the state shall file a memorandum not exceeding ten (10) pages in length within ten (10) days after service of respondent's memorandum. This case shall be given a priority assignment on the argument calendar upon the filing of the state's memorandum.

Entered as an Order of this Court this *12th* day of *October, 2000*.

By Order,

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Clerk

Justice Flanders did not attend the oral argument, but participated on the memoranda.