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Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
Clerk, S.C. Court of Appeals
P.O. Box 11629
Columbia, S.C. 29221

Re: State v. Walter A. Palacios, Appellate Case No. 2021-000620

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

On August 1, 2022, I was assigned to represent Mr. Palacios after his prior attorney left our office. I recently learned that Mr. Palacios does not read or write English. He never received a Spanish translation of the brief filed by prior counsel or a Spanish translation of his right to file a pro se brief in response to the Anders brief filed by prior counsel. Today, I have mailed to Mr. Palacios those two items.

In light of this recent discovery and my sending of the items today, I respectfully request this Court provide Mr. Palacios with forty-five days from the date of this letter in which to provide his pro se response to this Court.

Please contact me if you have questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Susan B. Hackett".

Susan B. Hackett
Appellate Defender

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cc: Walter Palacios
William Blicht, Jr., Esquire (via email only)