

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Supreme Court

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APPEAL FROM RICHLAND COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas

S.C. SUPREME COURT

Honorable Jocelyn Newman, Circuit Court Judge

Appellate Case No. 2022-001280

Case No. 2021-CP-40-02306

FREDDIE EUGENE OWENS, BRAD KEITH SIGMON, GARY DUBOSE
TERRY, and RICHARD BERNARD MOORE,..... Respondents-Appellants,

v.

BRYAN P. STIRLING, in his official capacity as the Director
of the South Carolina Department of Corrections; SOUTH
CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS; and HENRY
MCMASTER, in his official capacity as Governor of the State
of South Carolina, Appellants-Respondents.

MOTION TO MODIFY PAGE LIMITS FOR
CONSOLIDATED REPLY AND RESPONSE BRIEF

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Under Rule 240, SCACR, Appellants-Respondents move to modify the page limit set in Rule 208(b)(5), SCACR, for reply briefs so that they may file a single consolidated brief that is both a reply on their appeal and a response on Respondents-Appellants' cross-appeal, which collectively would not exceed 30 pages. In support of this Motion, Appellants-Respondents submit as follows:

1. After this Court set the initial briefing schedule, Respondents-Appellants cross-appealed. They requested and were granted an additional five pages for their brief, which responded to the arguments in Appellants-Respondents' opening brief and briefly addressed their cross-appeal.

2. Allowing Appellants-Respondents an additional five pages here will permit Appellants-Respondents to file a consolidated reply and response brief, which will streamline and further expedite the briefing in this case and promote judicial efficiency because it will result in fewer pages for the Court to consider than if Appellants-Respondents filed their reply brief, followed by a separate response brief.

3. Appellants-Respondents request the Court expedite consideration of this Motion so that, if the Court grants the Motion, Appellants-Respondents will be in a position to file a consolidated brief by the five-day deadline for their reply brief set by the Court's October 5 Order.

Respectfully submitted,

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