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**VIA EMAIL**

The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings  
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals  
1220 Senate Street  
Columbia, SC 29201

RE: *Blackwell et al. v. Mary Black, et al.*  
Appellate Case No. 2020-001613

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

I write on behalf of Respondents' counsel in this matter in response to your letter of July 13, 2023.

Please be advised that Respondents' counsel is available on November 14, 15, and 16 if this matter is considered; however, Respondents' counsel is currently scheduled to be out of the office on vacation for the week of November 6, 2023, and is therefore unavailable November 6, 7, 8, and 9.

Thank you in advance for your courtesy in this matter. Should the Court require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J S Simmons', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

John S. Simmons

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