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**SC Court of Appeals**

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
In the Court of Appeals**

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Appeal from Lexington County  
The Honorable Debra R. McCaslin, Circuit Court Judge

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THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

v.

JUSTIN TYLER ELLAREE HOPKINS,

APPELLANT.

Appellate Case No. 2022-001567

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**PROOF OF SERVICE**

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I, Tommy Evans, hereby certify that as per the March 20, 2020 Order of the Chief Justice, the Initial Brief of Respondent, Designation of Matter, and Proof of Service have been forwarded to Appellant's counsel, Gary Johnson, Esquire, via email today, February 5, 2024 to [GJohnson@sccid.sc.gov](mailto:GJohnson@sccid.sc.gov) , and Mr. Johnson's assistant, Kaylynn Warren to [KWarren@sccid.sc.gov](mailto:KWarren@sccid.sc.gov).

I further certified that all parties required by Rule to be served have been served.

This the 5th day of February 2024.

*s/Tommy Evans, Jr.*

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Dear Mr. Johnson,

Please find attached the Respondent's Initial Brief, Designation of Matter, and Proof of Service in the above captioned case. These documents will be filed with the South Carolina Court of Appeals, today, February 5, 2024, along with a copy of this email. Have a great afternoon!

Sincerely,  
*Brandy Rankin*

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