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The Honorable Jenny Kitchings
South Carolina Court of Appeals
PO Box 11629
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Re: State v. James W. Owens, Appellate Case No. 2022-001458

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Please allow this letter to serve as an update on the above-captioned case. This Court remanded this case to the Circuit Court for an attempt at reconstruction. Counsel was assigned this case after the departure of Breen Stevens from Appellate Defense.

Since the last update letter, counsel and the solicitor attempted to resolve this case, but those negotiations have now ended and were unsuccessful. Counsel has drafted a proposed order to present to the circuit court judge and sent it to the State. The State is reviewing the draft.

If the Court has any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D. Alexander', is written over a blue horizontal line.

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