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APPEAL FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW COURT

Administrative Law Judge Crystal M. Rookard

ALC Case No. 23-ALJ-04-0447-AP
Appellate Case No. 2024-000888

JOHN WILLIAM MELTON, # 226507,

APPELLANT,

v.

SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS,

RESPONDENT.

MOTION TO DISMISS APPEAL

Pursuant to the Stipulation of Dismissal filed by counsel for Appellant, the parties have resolved this matter outside of the court system as of August 2024. Accordingly, Respondent respectfully requests that this Court dismiss the appeal as moot.

Respectfully submitted,

**SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Undersigned counsel hereby certifies that on this date, she mailed a copy of the Respondent's **Motion to Dismiss Appeal** to Appellant's counsel, addressed as follows:

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The Honorable Jenny A. Kitchings
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RE: John William Melton, # 226507 v. South Carolina Department of Corrections
Appellate Case No. 2024-000888

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Enclosed please find Respondent's **Motion to Dismiss Appeal** in the above referenced matter, along with **Proof of Service**. A copy of the same is being mailed to Appellant's counsel today.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and please do not hesitate to contact me should there be any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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