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APPEAL FROM THE CHARLESTON COUNTY
COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

Dale Van Slambrook, Circuit Court Judge

2022-CP-10-02431
Appellate Case No.: 2025-000038

City of Charleston,

Respondent,

v.

Michael Hainer,

Appellant.

MOTION TO BE RELIEVED AS COUNSEL

Pursuant to Rules 407 and 240, SCACR, 11(b), SCRCP, and Rule 1.16(b), Appellant's Counsel hereby moves this Court for an Order Relieving him and Shelly Leeke Law Firm, LLC as Counsel for Appellant. Appellant and his Counsel have agreed that Appellant wishes to pursue this Appeal without Shelly Leeke Law Firm, LLC. Appellant's Counsel asserts that (a) withdrawal can be accomplished without material adverse effect on the interests of the Appellant per Rule 1.16(b)(1) of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules, and (b) "good cause" exists for the withdrawal as counsel per Rules 1.16(b)(7) of the Court Carolina Appellate Court Rules.

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I certify that I have served the foregoing Motion To Be Relieved by email and depositing a copy of the same in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, on March 11, 2025 to the following parties, and or their representatives:

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RE: *Michael Hainer v. City of Charleston*
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Dear Honorable Kitchings:

Enclosed please find the Appellant's Counsel, Richard C. Alexander's, Motion Requesting Permission To Be Relieved as Counsel in the above-referenced matter. An original copy is being mailed with the \$50.00 filing fee associated with this Motion.

By copy of this letter, I am hereby serving City of Charleston, through their counsel, Jeffrey Herman Lappin, Esquire, and my client, Michael Hainer. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Richard C. Alexander
Attorney at Law

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