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

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**SC Court of Appeals**

Re: The School of Hope Christian Academy, Jacqueline McKie Burden, and Eugene Burden, Sr. v. South Carolina Department of Education, Ronald Jones, and Shirley Jenerette  
Appellate Case No.: 2023-000500  
RGSL File No.: 6129-1544

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Sarah Frierson and I represent the South Carolina Department of Education in the above matter. I am writing to respond to the Court's letter seeking conflicts for potential oral argument dates.

We are available on September 8, 2025. Unfortunately, we are not available for oral argument during any of the other September or October dates included in the conflict letter. Ms. Frierson was asked to hold dates for oral argument at the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit from September 9-12, 2025. Also, my wife and I are expecting another child, and she is due October 5, 2025, so I will be out of the office at least the first two weeks of October.

Should the Court have questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us. Many thanks for the Court's time and attention to this matter.

Respectfully yours,

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