

The South Carolina Court of Appeals

The State, Respondent,

v.

Raekwon DaVonte Richardson, Appellant.

Appellate Case No. 2024-001758

ORDER

On May 19, 2025, Appellant's counsel moved to be relieved. On June 26, 2025, Robert M. Dudek, on behalf of the Division of Appellate Defense, filed a return, explaining that Appellant qualified for representation by his office due to his indigency. However, Mr. Dudek argued counsel's motion was premature because counsel had not provided a list of necessary trial and hearing dates as required. *See* Rule 602(e)(3), SCACR ("However, . . . appointed counsel shall assist in representing the accused in any manner necessary to properly perfect the appeal or as otherwise requested by the Office of Appellate Defense."); Rule 602(e)(4), SCACR ("However, retained counsel shall assist in representing the accused in any manner necessary to . . . properly perfect the appeal . . . in any other manner requested by the Office of Appellate Defense."). We take no action on Appellant's counsel's motion to be relieved at this time. We will continue to hold this appeal in abeyance until we receive additional information concerning counsel's provision of the information necessary to properly perfect the appeal. Appellant's counsel must provide this court with written updates on the status of this matter every thirty days.



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