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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM CHEROKEE COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas

The Honorable R. Keith Kelly, Circuit Court Judge
The Honorable Perry Gravely, Circuit Court Judge

Trial Court Case No. 2017-CP-11-00735
Appellate Case No. 2022-001582

Sharon Brown,

Appellant,

v.

Cherokee County School District One,

Respondent.

**RESPONDENT'S MOTION FOR LATE FILING OF RETURN TO APPELLANT'S
MOTION TO ADD JUDGE PERRY GRAVELY'S NAME IN THE CAPTION OF THE
CASE ON APPEAL**

Pursuant to Rule 240(e), SCACR, Respondent, Cherokee County School District (“the District”), submits this Motion for Late Filing of Appellant’s Motion to Add Judge Perry Gravely’s Name in the Caption of the Case on Appeal. (“Motion to Add”). The District respectfully requests the Court grant the Respondent’s Motion for Late Filing of its Return to Appellant’s Motion to Add.

The ground for this Motion is that the undersigned counsel for Respondent had no notice of Appellant’s Motion to Add until after the ten (10) day deadline to file its return nearly expired under Rule 240(c), SCACR. It was not until the undersigned received the emailed letter from the Clerk on July 8, 2025, at 4:34 p.m., notifying the parties that the appeal was being held in abeyance. July 8, 2025, is the tenth day from the date of service of Appellant’s Motion to Add.

Yet again, despite emailing other items throughout this appeal to Respondent's counsel and this Court, Appellant did not email or attempt to notify the undersigned of the Motion to Add¹, and to date, Respondent has not received the copy purportedly served on it by the Appellant. Accordingly, due to Appellant's lack of attempt to provide notice to Respondent, despite the resources, means, and capabilities to do so, the undersigned had mere hours to comply with filing a timely return to the Motion to Add under Rule 240, SCACR.

For good reason, Respondent respectfully requests the Court to consider and grant our Motion for late filing of Respondent's Return to Appellant's Motion to Add filed on July 9, 2025, contemporaneous with this motion.

Respectfully submitted,



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¹ Respondent would have gladly consented, and even joined, in Appellant's Motion to Add to the caption, if requested by Appellant; thus, avoiding further filing fees, more delay, and consumption of party and judicial resources.