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S.C. SUPREME COURT

The Honorable Patricia A. Howard
Clerk, South Carolina Supreme Court
P.O. Box 11330
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(via email filing)

Re: The State v. Joey Corvell Reid
Appellate Case No. 2023-001910

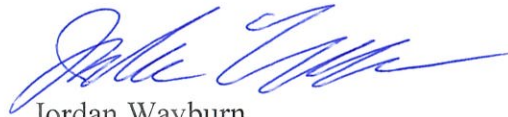
Dear Ms. Howard:

The above-referenced case is scheduled for Oral Argument before this Court on September 9, 2025. Pursuant to Rule 208(b)(7), SCACR, please accept the following supplemental authorities on Petitioner's second question presented: *State v. Abbott*, 87 S.C. 466, 70 S.E. 6 (1911); *State v. Brown*, 284 S.C. 407, 326 S.E.2d 410 (1985). Respondent submits *Abbott* as it relates to the power of courts to suspend a sentence absent legislative authorization. He submits *Brown* as it relates to the remedy where a court has suspended a sentence unlawfully.

Respondent also submits the following authorities concerning Petitioner's first question presented: *State v. McKettrick*, 13 S.C. 439, 439 (1880) (dismissing appeal after conviction where trial court "refused to sentence" the defendant so "there was no final judgment from which alone an appeal would lie"); *State v. Hightower*, 33 S.C. 598, 11 S.E. 579, 580 (1890) (dismissing appeal from conviction where sealed sentence had not yet been issued to defendant); *State v. Hughes*, 56 S.C. 540, 35 S.E. 214, 215 (1900) ("It is a bad practice, and generally condemned, to hear appeals by piecemeal, especially in criminal cases."); *State v. Byars*, 79 S.C. 174, 60 S.E. 448, 448 (1908) (dismissing state's appeal from grant of a new trial following guilty verdict but prior to sentencing); *State v. Wilson*, 387 S.C. 597, 601, 693 S.E.2d 923, 925 (2010) ("The provisions of section 14-3-330, including subsection (2), have been narrowly construed, and the immediate appeal of orders issued before or during trial generally has not been permitted." (citing *Hagood v. Sommerville*, 362 S.C. 191, 196, 607 S.E.2d 707, 709 (2005))).

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jordan Wayburn', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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