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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM SUMTER COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas
Kristi F. Curtis, Circuit Court Judge

Case No. 2025-000242

Barbara Ann Johnson Appellant.

v.

McLaughlin Ford, Respondent

Motion to Allow Late Filing and Service of Initial Brief and Designation of Matter

Respondent makes it motion to allow filing and service of its Initial Brief and Designation of Matter out of time, pursuant to Rules 208, 209 and 240, SCACR as follows:

1. By letter dated August 7, 2025 Respondent received notice that time for its Initial Brief was expired.
2. Petitioner has not served the documents described in her designation on Respondent, specifically including the trial and appeal hearing transcripts, despite Respondent’s letter sent to Petitioner on July 1, 2025 (copy attached) requesting same.
3. There is no prejudice caused to Petitioner by this request to allow late filing, and Petitioner has been granted similar extensions of time in this matter.

Respectfully submitted.

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Barbara Johnson
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RE: Johnson v McLaughlin Ford, Appellate Case No. 2025-000242

Dear Ms. Johnson:

I received your Designation of Matter to be Included in the Record on Appeal dated June 25, 2025, but none of the referenced documents, or the transcript were included. Can you please provide me with copies of what you wish to include in the Record on Appeal? You may mail paper copies to me at the above address, or to save time and expense of copying, you may email these documents to me at the above email address. I will need to review these documents to ensure a full and complete record is provided for the appeal and file my brief and designation of matter timely with the Court of Appeals.


Looking specifically at your designated matter, I have copies of the Order of July 23, 2025; the Complaint; and the Answer. I do not have the transcript of proceedings; voice mail messages; complete vehicle service records; or the McCrea affidavit.

Thank you and please let me hear back from you as soon as possible.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely,

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Michael M. Jordan

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