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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In The Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM NEWBERRY COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas

Eugene C. Griffith, Jr., Circuit Court Judge

Case No. 2024-CP-36-00087
Appellate Case No. 2024-001360

Abdellah El Farissi..... Appellant,

v.

Newberry College..... Respondent.

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Respondent’s Motion to Strike Appellant’s Motion Reply Brief in response to Respondent’s Final Brief

Respondent Newberry College (“Respondent”) requests that the court strike Appellant Abdellah El Farissi’s (“Appellant”) Motion Reply Brief in response to Respondent’s Final Brief filed on September 2, 2025, because it is not timely or procedurally proper under Rules 208 and 211 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules.

Rule 208 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules permits an appellant to file and serve a brief in reply to a respondent’s brief within ten (10) days after service of respondent’s brief. Rule 208(a)(3), SCACR. Further, Rule 211 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules requires each party to serve and file copies of their final brief(s), which must be identical to briefs previously served under Rule 208, within twenty (20) days after service of the Record on Appeal. Rule 211, SCACR.

Pursuant to Rule 208, Appellant filed an Initial Reply Brief on March 14, 2025, after Respondent filed an Initial Brief on March 7, 2025. Further, pursuant to Rule 211, Appellant filed a Final Reply Brief, which was identical to Appellant's Initial Reply Brief, on June 11, 2025. However, after Respondent filed its Final Brief on August 25, 2025, Appellant filed a Motion Reply Brief in response to Respondent's Final Brief raising new arguments that were not raised in Appellant's Initial Reply Brief. Appellant's Motion Reply Brief is not timely under Rule 208 and is not procedurally proper under Rule 211 and, therefore, must be struck.

Accordingly, Respondent requests the court strike Appellant's Motion Reply Brief in response to Respondent's Final Brief.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

It is hereby certified that the foregoing **Respondent’s Motion to Strike Appellant’s Motion Reply Brief in response to Respondent’s Final Brief** in the above-captioned case has been served upon *pro se* Appellant, via electronic mail and First Class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, as follows:
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Dated this 4th day of September, 2025.