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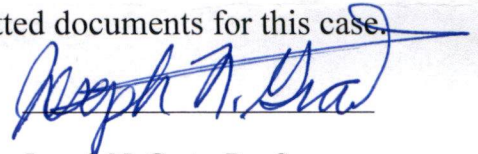
SC Court of Appeals

The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings  
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals  
Post Office Box 11629 Columbia,  
South Carolina 29211

RE: Michael T. Benson, Linwood Jesse Rouse, Sam / Samantha Sullivan, Coastal  
Carolina University, Respondents v. Joseph N. Grate, Appellant,  
Case No. 2025-001787

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

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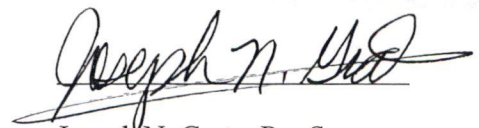
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The Honorable Alma Y. White  
Clerk of Court for Georgetown County  
Post Office Box 479  
Georgetown, South Carolina 29442

RE: Michael T. Benson, Linwood Jesse Rouse, Sam / Samantha Sullivan, Coastal  
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Linwood Jesse Rouse,  
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Coastal Carolina University,

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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Joseph N. Grate hereby appeals the judgment of the Honorable Benjamin H. Culbertson dated August 1, 2025. Appellant received written notice of entry of this judgment on August 12, 2025.

**The appellant's exceptions to the judgment are as follows:**

1. Re: the issue of Improper Service.
2. Re: the issue of Improper Venue.
3. Re: the issue of Rule 12 (b) (6) related presentation, in its entirety.
4. Re: The application of the South Carolina Tort Claims Act.

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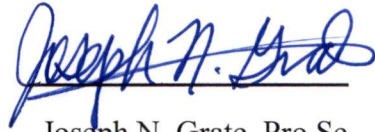
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5. Appellant is challenging the ruling on all matters comprising the judgment, in total.

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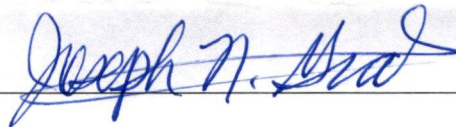
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Plaintiff hereby certifies that a copy of the Notice of Appeal and a copy of the Transcript Request were sent to Council for Respondents, via Certified U. S. Mail.

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