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

RE: State v. George Holmes – Appellate Case No. 2022-000728

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

The above-referenced criminal appeal is currently pending before this Court. Please be advised that, earlier today, the undersigned counsel for the State received information from opposing counsel indicating the appellant, George Holmes, died during the pendency of the appeal, and, upon receiving that information, the State was able to verbally verify it with personnel at the South Carolina Department of Corrections, who confirmed the appellant died on May 13, 2024. In light of that information, the State respectfully requests this Court dismiss the above-referenced appeal as the appellant's death has rendered it moot. Cf. State v. Miller, 409 S.C. 312, 312, 762 S.E.2d 394, 394-395 (2014) (dismissing an appeal as moot subsequent to the death of Miller during the pendency of the appeal). Thank you for your attention to this request, and, if you have any questions or concerns or require any additional information, please contact me at (803) 734-4117.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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