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I, Kanetta McCoy, being first duly sworn, state the following under penalty of perjury:

- 1.) My name is Kanetta McCoy, and I am the fiancée of Ray Edward Chestnut, SCDC #304094, who is currently incarcerated and the appellant in his Criminal Case pending before the South Carolina Court of Appeals.
- 2.) On December 2, 2025, at approximately 8:53 AM, I, along with my fiancée Ray Edward Chestnut, spoke by phone with Daniel Jones, the Deputy Director of South Carolina Court Administration.
- 3.) Mr. Jones further stated that there is no substitution order on file authorizing Judge Eugene P. Warr Jr. to preside in Mr. Chestnut's case is the April 7, 2023 assignment order, which stated that Judge Warr was attending

Training.

4.) Mr. Jones further stated that there is no Substitution order on file authorizing Judge Warr to preside in Mr. Chestnut's Case after the training period ended.

5.) I specifically heard Mr. Jones refuse to provide any written Confirmation of the absence of a Substitution order.

6.) I understand that this Statement is important because South Carolina law requires a written order assigning or substituting a judge, and without such an order, any actions taken by that judge may be void for lack of jurisdiction.

7.) I am submitting this affidavit to place this information into the official record and to provide sworn testimony corroborating Mr. Chestnut's statements regarding the phone call with Court Administration.

8.) I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Hanetta McCoy

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Date: December 11, 2025

Sworn To And Subscribed Before Me
this 11 day of December 2025.

Notary Public For South Carolina My
Commission Expires:

WANDAL FORTE

Notary Public, State of South Carolina

My Commission Expires 6/20/2028

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