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The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals
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Re: Jane and John Smith v. SCDSS
Appellate Case No.: 2023-001049

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

In response to the Court's January 13, 2026 letter regarding conflicts for potential dates for oral argument in this case, I have planned a vacation the week of May 11, 2026 to attend graduation at the University of Southern California. I am available on all of the dates the week of May 4, 2026.

With kind regards,

Yours very truly,

GIBBES BURTON, LLC

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Stephanie H. Burton". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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cc: Ms. Melinda Butler (by email)
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