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Re: The State v. Richard A. Murdaugh  
Appellate Case Nos. 2024-000576 & 2023-000392

Dear Counsel:

The Court has amended the time limits for the oral arguments in the above matter scheduled in the Supreme Court Courtroom in Columbia at 9:30 a.m. on February 11, 2026. The arguments and time limits are allocated as follows:

Arguments stemming from the appeal from the denial of the motion for a new trial:

Appellant: 20 minutes  
Respondent: 20 minutes

Arguments stemming from the appeal from the underlying trial:

Appellant: 20 minutes  
Respondent: 20 minutes

Combined reply addressing both appeals:

Appellant: 10 minutes

Please be advised that seating will be reserved for the parties during the hearing. Three chairs will be provided at each counsel's table, and the first row of gallery seating will also be reserved for the parties.

If you have any questions or concerns related to this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

*Patricia A. Howard*

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