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Columbia, SC 29201

Re: David W. Blake v. City of Aiken  
Case No.: 2024-000082

To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept this correspondence as confirmation that the above-referenced case has been settled and no longer requires oral argument. Once fully executed, the settlement agreement and release will be filed with the Circuit Court and Court of Appeals.

Thank you for your attention and assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

AUSTEN & GOWDER, LLC

/s. Bailey Pope

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Appellate Case No. 2024-000082

Dear Counsel:

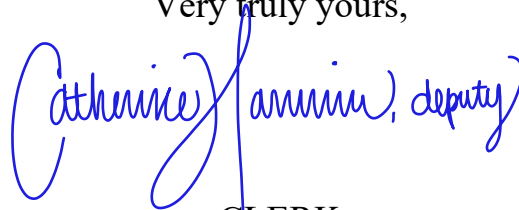
This appeal will be argued on March 11, 2026, at 10:40 AM in Courtroom II. The following oral argument times have been allocated:

Appellant:	10 minutes
Respondent:	10 minutes
Appellant in reply:	5 minutes

**Arguments frequently begin before the time set. Please ARRIVE 15 MINUTES prior to your scheduled argument time.**

Anyone may view our live stream via the South Carolina Court of Appeals Video Portal, available here: <https://sccourts.org/COAvideo/index.cfm>. Archived video will be posted to the Video Portal as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Catherine Jamin, deputy". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "C".

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