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Erick Maurice Willard, 265040
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Re: Erick M. Willard v. State
Appellate Case No. 2024-001837

Dear Counsel:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter we received on February 13, 2026, regarding the status of the above case on appeal.

Please be advised that your case was transferred to the South Carolina Court of Appeals by order of the South Carolina Supreme Court on May 20, 2025. Please direct all future Court correspondence and filings to the South Carolina Court of Appeals. At this time, our records indicate that your attorney of record is Sarah Shipe from Appellate Defense.

Your case is still pending in this Court and is being processed in the normal fashion. It is difficult to predict when a case will be decided by the Court because of the many variables that affect the decision-making process of any given case. When a final decision has been made on your case, you and your attorney will be immediately notified.

Very truly yours,

Jasmine D. Smith, Deputy
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