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The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
South Carolina Court of Appeals
Clerk of Court
1220 Senate Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

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Re: **Mastercard International Inc. v SCDOR**
Appellate Case No. 2024-001252

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

By letter dated December 22, 2025, we requested protection from oral argument setting for April 14th, 15th and 16th due to a previously scheduled trial in New York on those dates. This letter serves to update the Court that the New York trial has been postponed to September. We are now available on April 14th and 15th; however our local counsel, John von Lehe, remains unavailable on April 16th as he will be accepting the USC Law School's Compleat Lawyer Award, so we continue to request protection for that day.

While we remain available for the remaining April dates (April 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th), we respectfully request that, to the extent possible, this case be scheduled for a date other than April 9th, which is the undersigned's 50th birthday. We acknowledge that this is not a true conflict and will be available on that date as needed.

Regards,



Leah Robinson

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