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**S.C. SUPREME COURT**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE SUPREME COURT

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Certiorari to Laurens County

Honorable Donald B. Hocker, Circuit Court Judge

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Opinion No. 2025-UP-429 (S.C. Ct. App. filed 1/28/2026)

Lower Court Case No. 2022-GS-30-01427

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THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

BRYAN PRESTON COOPER,

APPELLANT

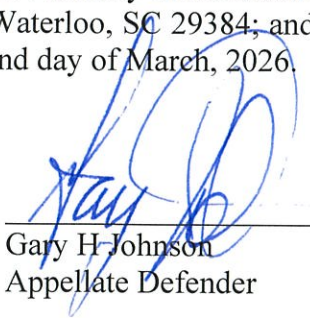
APPELLATE CASE NO. 2023-000231

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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Pursuant to Rule 262(a)(3) and Rule 262(c)(3), SCACR, the undersigned hereby certifies a true copy of the Petition for Writ of Certiorari in this case has been served on Mark Farthing, Esquire, at the primary e-mail address listed in the Attorney Information System (AIS); and on Bryan Preston Cooper, at 498 Pemberton Street, Waterloo, SC 29384; and the Court of Appeals, at 1220 Senate Street, Columbia, SC 29201, this 2nd day of March, 2026.

  
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Gary H. Johnson  
Appellate Defender

ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER

## Leverett, Scott

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**From:** Leverett, Scott  
**Sent:** Monday, March 2, 2026 1:13 PM  
**To:** Mark Farthing  
**Cc:** Caroline Collins; Johnson, Gary  
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Dear Mr. Farthing,

Attached please find a copy of the petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals in the above referenced case that is being filed today with the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals.

-Scott Leverett  
Admin. Asst. for Gary Johnson  
Appellate Defense