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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
In The Supreme Court

APPEAL FROM RICHLAND COUNTY  
Court of Common Pleas

Jocelyn Newman, Circuit Court Judge

Com. Pls. Case No. 2023-cp-40-00242

Ct. App. Case No. 2025-002124

Sup. Ct. Case No. 2026-000066

Curtis D. Bale,.....Petitioner,

v.

John A. Dougherty, Wachovia Securities Financial Holdings, LLC, Wells Fargo Clearing Services, LLC, f/ k/ a Wells Fargo Advisors, LLC, Wells Fargo & Company, Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., and LPL Financial, LLC,.....Defendants

of which John A. Dougherty, Wells Fargo Clearing Services, LLC, f/ k/ a Wells Fargo Advisors, LLC, Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., and LPL Financial, LLC are ..... Respondents.

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I certify that I have served *Respondents' Return to Petition for Writ of Supersedeas*, upon the parties below by electronic mail only, on March 5, 2026, addressed as follows:

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