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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
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APPEAL FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW COURT

Administrative Law Judge Crystal M. Rookard

ALC Case No. 25-ALJ-04-0139-AP
Appellate Case No. 2025-002328

MARCO BATES, # 249552,

APPELLANT,

v.

SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS,

RESPONDENT.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Undersigned counsel hereby certifies that on this date, she mailed a copy of the **Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter to be Included in the Record** to Appellant, addressed as follows:

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The Honorable Jenny A. Kitchings
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RE: Marco Bates, # 249552 v. South Carolina Department of Corrections
Appellate Case No. 2025-002328

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Enclosed please find the **Initial Brief of Respondent** and **Designation of Matter** in the above captioned appeal, along with **Proof of Service**. Also enclosed is a **Motion to File out of Time** and **Proof of Service**.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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