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**Re: Preston R. Oates v. State
REQUEST FOR EXTENSION TO REQUEST TRANSCRIPT
Appellate Case No.: 2026-000818**

Dear Ms. Howard:

To comply with the appropriate procedure, I filed the Notice of Appeal to protect Petitioner Preston Oates's rights under the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules and applicable case law.

I am respectfully requesting an extension to request the transcript in the above reference appeal because I have not received an affidavit of indigency from him, and his family has indicated that they plan to retain private counsel to represent him for the appeal.

I have copied Chief Appellate Defender Wanda Carter and Assistant Attorney General Danielle Dixon on this correspondence.

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If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With best regards, I am,

Yours Sincerely,

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