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Re: SCDOI v. Joyce Freeman  
Appellate Case No. 2026-000947

Dear Counsel:

Pursuant to the Court's May 6, 2026 letter, counsel has notified that there is no transcript to be ordered. Within thirty (30) days from the date of this letter, you must serve and file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jenny A. Kitchings".

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