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The Honorable Jenny A. Kitchings  
Clerk of Court, South Carolina Court of Appeals  
Post Office Box 11629  
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Re: Robert E. Dillard, #220045 v. The State  
Appellate Case No. 2026-000872

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Appellant served his initial brief in the referenced appeal, and I had calendared a time for the response; however, by letters dated May 20, 2026, this Court advised Appellant of certain deficiencies in his prior filings, particularly, the failure to provide the order and/or judgment appealed and the proof of service of the IFP motion. Appellant has until May 30, 2026, to cure the deficiencies. If not cured, this Court may dismiss the appeal. As such, it appears that the time for filing the response brief is likely held in abeyance given the entire appeal is currently subject to dismissal. I write to respectfully request that the Court advise when or if the deficiencies are cured, and the appropriate time to file the State's brief and/or motion in response to Appellant's initial brief. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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