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Mr. E. Charles Grose, Jr.
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305 Main Street
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Re: The State v. Joel Antonio Duran
Appellate Case No. 2025-001938

Dear Mr. Grose:

This letter is to confirm our office received Appellant's Initial Brief and Designation of Matter in the above-referenced case and to advise you that I will be representing the State in this appeal. Please forward all future correspondence regarding this matter directly to me.

I look forward to working with you on this case.

Sincerely,

J. Benjamin Aplin
Assistant Attorney General
SC Bar No. 8729

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cc: The Honorable Jenny A. Kitchings (copy via electronic mail)
Victim Advocacy Division