

The South Carolina Court of Appeals

Bruce Wilson, Appellant,

v.

Ennis M. Fant, Respondent.

Appellate Case No. 2026-000307

ORDER

On April 20, 2026, counsel for Respondent filed a "notice of withdrawal as counsel," in which he asked this court to "enter an [o]rder permitting withdrawal as attorney of record." Counsel stated he notified Respondent of his intent to withdraw, advised Respondent of all pending deadlines and obligations, advised Respondent of the need to obtain substitute counsel or proceed pro se, and believed withdrawal would not prejudice Respondent. On April 21, 2026, Appellant filed a return, opposing the request. After careful consideration, we deny counsel's motion to withdraw as counsel for Respondent. *See* Rule 264(b), SCACR ("An attorney of record in a matter pending before an appellate court may not withdraw from representation of his client without justifiable cause, or the consent of his client, and then only after proper written notice to his client, on petition to and by written order of the appellate court, and with notice to the adverse party.").



J.

FOR THE COURT

Columbia, South Carolina

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cc:

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