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Via E-Mail

The Honorable Jasmine D. Smith
Deputy Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals
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SC Court of Appeals

Re: Patricia P. McGougan and Edgar McGougan v. Richard F. Frisch, M.D.; Timothy E. West, M.D.;
The Southeastern Spine Institute, L.L.C.; and Lowcountry Infectious Diseases, P.A.
C/A No. 2018-CP-10-05675, Charleston CP
Claim Nos. 0372049 & 0372053
HLF File No. 84.062

Dear Ms. Smith:

In response to the Court's letter dated June 4, 2026, regarding oral argument conflict dates, I write to advise that I have a conflict and am unavailable on September 14, 15, 16 and 17.

Thank you in advance for your consideration. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me

Kind regards,

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jamie".

James B. Hood

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Enclosure(s)

cc: Richard F. Frisch, M.D. [**Via E-Mail**]