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Dear Court of Appeals:

This responds to the June 4, 2026 letter from Deputy Clerk Jasmine D. Smith regarding the scheduling of oral argument in this case. I apologize for the delay in not responding by the June 15 due date.

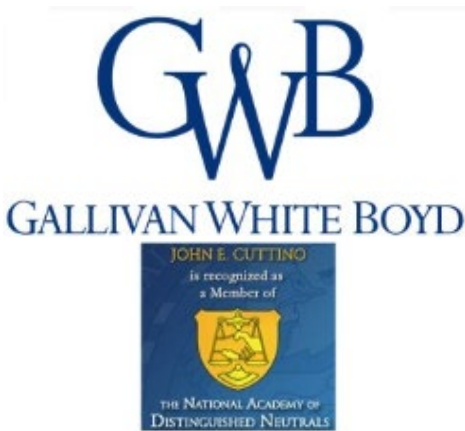
I write to advise the Court that I have a conflict on one of the potential oral argument dates.

Specifically, on September 16, 2026, I am scheduled to serve **as the mediator** in the Richland County Common Pleas case of *Nisha Ya Gordon vs. Charde Hardee, Alia's of Columbia LLC d/b/a Lucky's Bar, and Alia N. Hakim*, CA # 2024-CP-40-05241. Rescheduling or postponing this mediation would likely render a substantial inconvenience to the counsel and parties involved in that case, which I would like to avoid.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully,

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