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The Honorable Patricia Howard
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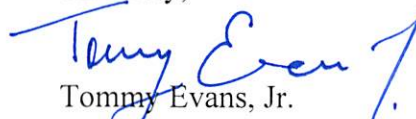
Re: The State v. Ernest C. Bethel
Appellate Case No. 2023-000669

Dear Ms.Howard:

Please accept this letter as notice of a change in the designated attorney to be the attorney of record for Respondent, The State of South Carolina, in the above-referenced appeal.

Tommy Evans, Jr., will now be the attorney of record. Please add him to the above-captioned case, no one needs to be removed in this matter, however, I will represent the State in the above appeal.

Sincerely,


Tommy Evans, Jr.
Assistant Attorney General

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