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SC Court of Appeals

Wanda H. Carter, Chief Appellate Defender

July 9, 2026

The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals
PO Box 11629
Columbia, SC 29211
(via email filing)

Re: Jorge Rodriguez v. The State
Appellate Case No. 2025-001507

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

On June 9, 2026, this Court issued an Order holding the above-referenced case in abeyance for thirty (30) days on motion of the undersigned in order to further discuss the advantages and disadvantages of withdrawal of the appeal with Petitioner.

Upon receipt of a letter from Petitioner requesting another thirty (30) day abeyance, which appears to have also been filed with this Court, undersigned counsel requested a legal call with Petitioner through the Department of Corrections Office of General Counsel. Evans Correctional Institution scheduled a legal call between the undersigned and Petitioner for today, Thursday, July 9, 2026, at 2:30 p.m. However, the prison employee who answered the undersigned's call at 2:30 p.m. informed the undersigned that the scheduled call was being cancelled, apparently due to the absence of the one employee who handles such phone calls.

Undersigned counsel is presently working to schedule another call with Petitioner and respectfully requests that this Court hold the above-referenced appeal in abeyance for thirty (30) more days, until August 10, 2026. If this Court requires more information, please do not hesitate to contact undersigned counsel.

Sincerely,

W. Chandler Norville
Appellate Defender

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cc: Mark R. Farthing, Esquire