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Via Email Only

The Honorable Patricia A. Howard
Clerk of Court
South Carolina Supreme Court

The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals
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S.C. SUPREME COURT

Re: Medical Leave

Dear Ms. Howard and Ms. Kitchings:

I write to advise the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals that I am scheduled to undergo a medically necessary jaw surgery on July 21, 2026. As part of the recovery process, I will have a significantly limited ability to speak and will be unable to chew for an estimated six to eight weeks following the procedure. During that period and for the remainder of 2026, I will be working closely with a physical therapist and a voice coach to facilitate and expedite my recovery.

Given these circumstances and the anticipated recovery period, I respectfully request that any written deadlines currently scheduled to occur between July 20, 2026, and October 30, 2026, in matters in which I serve as counsel of record be extended until October 30, 2026, or such other date as the Courts deem appropriate. Similarly, I respectfully request that no oral argument be scheduled in any matter in which I am counsel of record until I can effectively present argument before the Court. I will promptly advise both Courts of my progress and notify the Courts as soon as I am able to resume oral advocacy.

Before submitting this request, I contacted counsel of record in each affected matter to advise them of my anticipated surgery, recovery period, and this request.

I currently serve as counsel of record in the following matters pending before the Courts:

Supreme Court:

- ***Owens v. Hunt*; Appellate Case No. 2025-002354**
 - Status: This matter has been fully briefed and is awaiting oral argument.
 - Counsel of record: Andrew Lindemann and Will Davidson for Petitioner. Josh Hawkins, Ethan Jedziniak, and I represent Respondent.

Court of Appeals:

- ***MPC Harden, LLC v. SCDOR*; Appellate Case No. 2026-000734**
 - Status: There is a pending motion to dismiss the appeal, filed July 9, 2026.
 - Counsel of record: Richard Harpootlian and Andrew Hand represent Appellant. John Alphin and I represent Respondent MPC Harden, LLC, and Dana Robert Krajack for Respondent Department of Revenue.
- ***Bessie Hendricks v. Dominion Energy*; Appellate Case No. 2026-001227**
 - Status: This matter is currently in initial briefing with Appellant's initial brief due July 29, 2026.
 - Counsel of record: John Alphin, Brooklyn O'Shea, Christopher McCool, and I represent Appellant. Steven Pugh and Ashwin Sanzgiri represent Respondent.
- ***Glowe v. Glowe*; Appellate Case No. 2025-001264**
 - Status: The record on appeal was filed on July 10, 2026. I intend to file the final briefs and bound copies next week.
 - Counsel of record: Jay Lucas, Adam Gainey, and I represent Appellant. Gregory Foreman and Charles Brooks represent Respondent.
- ***Roger Wayne Lynch v. Angela West Einstein*; Appellate Case No. 2026-001065**
 - Status: This matter is currently in the initial briefing stage, with Respondent currently briefing—having sought an extension on July 10, 2026. Jordan Calloway of McGowan Hood Felder & Phillips, LLC will continue handling the matter during my recovery. Accordingly, no extensions or accommodation are requested due to my surgery/recovery. This matter is listed solely for completeness; therefore, I have not copied counsel of record.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. If either Court would like additional information concerning my anticipated recovery or the status of any pending appeal, I will promptly provide it. I respectfully request that any correspondence directed to me or regarding any of these matters also include Jordan Calloway (jordan@mcgowanhood.com) and my paralegal, Amy Starr (astarr@mcgowanhood.com).

With warm regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

s/Whitney B. Harrison

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