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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

In the Court of Appeals

Ubong Christopher Ubokudom, Appellant,

v.

University of South Carolina, Respondent.

Appellate Case No.: 2026-000348 Case No.: 2026-CP-40-00645

MOTION FOR VOLUNTARY DISMISSAL OF APPEAL

COMES NOW, the Appellant, Ubong Christopher Ubokudom, appearing *pro se*, and moves this Honorable Court pursuant to **Rule 260(c) of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules (SCACR)** for an order voluntarily dismissing the instant appeal. In support of this motion, the Appellant respectfully shows as follows:

1. **Procedural Posture:** The Appellant filed the above-captioned appeal seeking review of various interlocutory orders and procedural failures occurring in the Court of Common Pleas, Richland County.
2. **Rationale for Dismissal:** The Appellant has determined that the most efficient path to secure justice and reach a trial on the merits is to conclude these appellate proceedings and return the case to the jurisdiction of the Circuit Court. The ongoing appellate process has resulted in a procedural stay that prevents the Circuit Court from proceeding to trial. The Appellant's primary objective is to obtain a trial on the merits, and this voluntary dismissal is sought to expedite the remand of the case to the Circuit Court for that purpose.
3. **Preservation of Claims:** This voluntary dismissal is made without prejudice to the Appellant's underlying substantive claims and legal arguments. The Appellant maintains that the legal errors raised in his prior filings—specifically regarding the mandatory operation of Rule 36, SCRCP—remain meritorious. By seeking this dismissal, the Appellant does not concede the validity of the orders appealed from but chooses to shift his focus to the final adjudication of this matter in the trial court.
4. **Judicial Economy:** Dismissal of this appeal will serve the interests of judicial economy by terminating the appellate stay and allowing the trial court to address the pending motions and move the case toward a final trial date.

WHEREFORE, the Appellant respectfully requests that this Court enter an Order dismissing the appeal in the above-captioned matter and directing the remand of the case to the Court of Common Pleas, Richland County.

Respectfully,



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PROOF OF SERVICE

I, Ubong Christopher Ubokudom, acting *Pro Se*, do hereby certify that on this 14th day of July, 2026, I have served the **Motion for Voluntary Dismissal of Appeal** and the **[Proposed] Order of Voluntary Dismissal** upon Respondent's counsel of record, Mr. Jacob Biltoft, via electronic mail and hand-delivery to his office.

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