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Mr. Douglas H. Westbrook, Esquire
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Re: Francis Ackerman #266928 v. SCDC (2)
Appellate Case No. 2026-000437

Dear Counsel:

Our records reflect that you filed a notice of appeal on December 15, 2025¹, appealing various November 10, 2025 orders. On December 17, 2025, you filed a motion to be relieved as counsel for several individuals stemming from the December 15, 2025 notice of appeal, which this Court denied on February 3, 2026.

On February 24, 2026, you filed three additional notices of appeal, appealing numerous January 23, 2026 orders. On March 27, 2026, this Court consolidated the December and February notices of appeal and sent a letter outlining the updated caption. On April 14, 2026, you submitted an indistinct email to the Court briefly referencing several individuals for whom you stated you did not file a notice of appeal. Pursuant to that email, the Court updated the caption and removed the individuals listed in the April 14, 2026 email on June 5, 2026, when the Court granted Respondent's motion for extension of time. On June 8, 2026,

¹ The April 14, 2026 email states the notices of appeal were filed on December 9, 2026, and February 20, 2026. This letter references the file stamped date on the notices.

you filed another email listing additional individuals whom you state you did not file an appeal on behalf of those individuals.

The Court seeks to avoid changes to the caption and requires clarity from you regarding the parties to this appeal. Accordingly, you must provide this Court with a list that clarifies all the parties in the November 10, 2025, and February 24, 2026 orders, and clarify for which individuals you filed an appeal.

Specifically, you must submit a complete **excel spreadsheet** with the following heading and information:

Name	Inmate No.	ALC Case No.	ALC Disposition Date	Appeal filed?	Date Appeal Filed
Frank Anderson. Jr.	#282800	25-ALJ-04-0323-AP	November 10, 2025	Yes	December 17, 2025
Sherman Austin	#300028	25-ALJ-04-0324-AP	November 10, 2025	Yes	December 17, 2025

Please provide this information within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter.

Very truly yours,


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