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The Honorable Jenny Kitchings
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SC Court of Appeals

Re: The State v. Gary Grant
Appellate Case No. 2025-002357

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

The case above is an appeal of the denial of Gary Grant's Motion for a New Trial based on After Discovered Evidence. Mr. Grant filed the Motion under Rule 29, SCRCP, on January 18, 2024. A hearing into the matter was held on September 29, 2025, at the Berkeley County Courthouse before Judge Roger M. Young. On November 4, 2025, Judge Young filed an Order denying the Motion for a New Trial. After the Notice of Appeal was filed, a transcript of the September 29, 2025, hearing was obtained.

On April 9, 2026, Kareem King (co-defendant) filed an affidavit with this Court in support of Mr. Grant's Motion. On April 27, 2026, a Motion for a Limited Remand was filed with this Court requesting a review of Mr. King's affidavit by Judge Young to evaluate the impact of the same on the case. This Court granted the Motion for a Limited Remand by Order dated May 20, 2026. On June 25, 2026, a Remand hearing was held at the Berkeley County Court house before Judge Young, and on July 16, 2026, Judge Young issued an Order in effect denying relief in the case. Note that correspondence sent to the Court previously cited to July 25, 2026, as the Remand hearing date; however, the actual hearing date was June 25, 2026.

In response to this Court's correspondence received on today's date therein lifting the appeal out of abeyance, please allow this letter to serve as a request for the appeal to be placed back in abeyance pending receipt of the Remand hearing transcript, which was ordered on June 30, 2026, inasmuch as a review of said transcript is necessary in order to perfect the appeal.

Sincerely,

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