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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Supreme Court

APPEAL FROM RICHLAND COUNTY
Daniel M. Coble, Circuit Court Judge

Case No. 2026-CP-40-05213

Danny Ford, II, Respondent,

v.

South Carolina Republican Party
South Carolina Election Commission
a/k/a State Election Commission..... Appellants.

PROOF OF SERVICE

Pursuant to Rule 262(c)(3), SCACR, I certify that I have caused the South Carolina State Election Commission's Return to the Motion to Stay and Motion to Certify to be served on the following counsel of record at the following addresses:

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All:

Pursuant to Rule 262(c)(3), SCACR, attached for service upon you are the South Carolina State Election Commission's Return as requested by Court on August 5, 2026.

A copy of this email will be filed with the Proof of Service.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us.

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