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The Honorable Jenny A. Kitchings
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals
Post Office Box 11629
Columbia, SC 29211

RE: State v. Ryan Oneal Gist – Appellate Case No. 2024-001157

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

The above-referenced criminal appeal initiated by the appellant, Ryan Oneal Gist, is currently pending before this Court. On appeal, Gist—through appellate counsel—filed a brief pursuant to Anders v. California, 386 U.S. 738 (1967), along with a record on appeal and a petition to be relieved as counsel. This Court issued an order on April 6, 2026, denying the petition to be relieved and directing further briefing. Gist subsequently filed a brief of appellant.

Thereafter, in preparing the State's brief, the undersigned counsel for the State reviewed the contents of the Record of Appeal, which—amongst other things—contains an order dated December 22, 2022, that references a hearing conducted on December 15, 2022. However, the transcript from the December 15, 2022, hearing is not contained in the Record on Appeal as filed.

In light of that, the State has now ordered a copy of the transcript from the December 15, 2022, hearing, and that transcript request currently remains pending. Due to that, the State respectfully asks this Court to hold the timelines for the filing of the Brief of Respondent in abeyance until the additional transcript is obtained. Thank you very much, and please let me know if you have any questions or if any further actions are needed at this time.

Sincerely,

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