

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from the South Carolina
Administrative Law Court
Honorable Crystal M. Reekord

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Appellate Case No: 2026-001529

SC Court of Appeals

James Scott # 269988

Appellant

vs.

South Carolina Department of Corrections,

Respondent

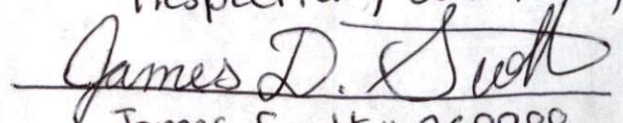
MOTION TO PROCEED
IN FORMA PAUPERIS &
DECLARATION IN SUPPORT

Appellant James Scott #269988, do hereby move this Honorable Court for leave to proceed in the above-captioned action without pre-payment of filing fees. In support of this motion, Appellant declares being subject to the penalties of perjury if he declares falsely regarding this matter, certify that the following is true:

- (1) I am the Appellant in this action and I have a right to redress and appeal
- (2) Because I've been incarcerated for the last 26 years and I do not receive State Pay nor do I have financial support, I am unable to pay the filing fee.
- (3) I believe that this appeal is non-frivolous.

Executed in McCormick, S.C.
On July 25th, 2026

Respectfully Submitted,



James Scott # 269988
McCormick Corr. Inst
386 Redemption Way
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James Darnell Scott #269988
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Catherine S. Harrison
Chief Deputy Clerk
South Carolina Court of Appeals
Post Office Box 11629
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R.E: James Scott #269988 vs. South Carolina Department of Corrections
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Dear Ms. Harrison,

I just received your letter, providing me with ten (10) days to correct the deficiencies. The mail you sent me was post marked on July 10th 2026, but the South Carolina Department of Corrections was holding it that entire time. They intentional did this so I could miss the 10 day deadline. I pray that this Honorable Court will not dismiss my appeal. I just received this piece of mail on July 24th 2026. It is things like this that Department of Corrections does, that makes this appeal all the more important.

Along with this letter I'm sending The Proof of Service, showing that I served the Notice of Appeal on the clerk of the Administrative Law Court, as required by Rule 203(b) (6). As far as the filing fees, appeals from the ALC concerning Inmate cases involving SCDC is by right. S.C. Code Ann §1-23-610 (b) and Rule 66 of SCALCR. However out of abundance of Caution I'm sending a motion to proceed Informa Pauperis. Can you please filed these with the Court of Appeals for me please.

July 25th, 2026

James D. Scott

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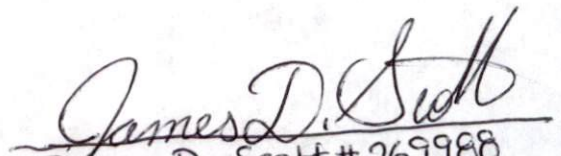
Respondents

PROOF OF SERVICE

I James Darnell Scott, do certify that I have prepared a copy of Appellants Motion to Proceed Informa Pauperis & Declaration in support thereof and served it upon Respondents. By placing the same in a envelope addressed as follows:
I then placed that envelope into the mailbox for mailing

Teresa S. Player, Esq
Christina Catoe Bigelow, Esq
SCDC Division of Legal Counsel
Post Office Box 21787
Columbia, S.C. 29221

Dated: July 25, 2026


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