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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In The Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM LEXINGTON COUNTY
Court of General Sessions
Honorable Debra R. McCaslin, Circuit Court Judge

Appellate Case No.: 2025-000368

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, Appellant,

v.

CHAD E. GIBBS, Respondent.

RESPONDENT'S MOTION TO AMEND BOND CONDITIONS

YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that counsel will move before this Court as soon as this matter may be heard for an Order to Amend Bond Conditions on the above-named Defendant. This Court, pursuant to SCACR 205, S.C. Code Ann. § 14-8-200, S.C. Code Ann. § 18-1-90, S.C. Code Ann. § 17-15-10 and S.C. Code Ann. § 17-15-50, et seq., retains jurisdiction over the conditions of Defendant's release.

The Defendant entered guilty pleas to two counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor on February 24, 2025, and was sentenced to eight years' imprisonment. Pending appeal of issues related to this matter, this Court granted the Defendant an Appeal Bond on August 5, 2026. The conditions of the Defendant's bond were as follows:

1. The Defendant must maintain his current address and may not move from this address without prior court authorization.
2. The Defendant may not leave the country during the pendency of this appeal.
3. The Defendant must appear in this State for any mandatory court appearances.

WHEREFORE, the Defendant prays for an Order of this Court to:

1. Amend his bond condition to place the Defendant on monitored house arrest, in addition to the bond amount and conditions already set by the Court of Appeals.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ J. Todd Rutherford

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, J. Todd Rutherford, the undersigned retained counsel for Mr. Chad E. Gibbs, do hereby certify that *Respondent's Motion to Amend Bond Conditions* was served upon the counsel of record for Appellants, Mr. Mark Reynolds Farthing, Esq., on this 19th Day of August 2026, via email, to: mfarthing@scag.gov.

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