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BEFORE THE SUPREME COURT ("S Ct") OF SOUTH CAROLINA (SC SUPREME COURT)
AND the South Carolina Court of Appeals

Marie-Therese Assa'ad Faltas v. State of South Carolina

Appellate Case No. 2023-000383

In the Matter of Marie Assa'ad Faltas, Respondent,

Appellate Case No. 2021-000815

In the Matter of Marie Assa'ad Faltas, Respondent,

Appellate Case No. 2013-000862Also Please file in Appellate Cases Nos. 2026-001241, 001246, and 001573**TIMELY** PETITION FOR REHEARING OF SC APPELLATE CASE ("SC-App-#) 2026-001246**COMBINED** with **REASSERTED** MOTIONS in SC-App-## 2023-000383, 2021-000815, and 2013-000862 TO CLARIFY, TO MAKE THE COMPLETE RECORD PUBLIC, AND TO REOPEN IN LIGHT OF FACTORS vital to the INTEGRITY OF SC's JUDICIAL SYSTEM and Dr. Assa'ad-Faltas' physical life.

The errors underlying SC-App-## 2021-000815 and 2013-000862 (that *this Court* may act "on its own volition" **in its judicial capacity even in the absence of a case or controversy before it**) are so fundamental and so destructive of the meaning of judicial power in a republican form of government as defined in both the U.S. and SC Constitutions that they likely explain why this Court keeps those cases hidden from the national public on SC C-Track despite original jurisdiction cases of other parties now being available on C-Track. SC-App-# 2023-000383 is a PCR case where *this Court* violated its own law that the trial judge may not be the PCR judge, *Floyd v. State*, 303 S.C. 298, 400 S.E.2d 145 (1991), is also kept from the view of the national public **and** from the view of Marie Assa'ad-Faltas, MD, MPH, *pro se herself*, who is repeatedly threatened by this Court and its underlings with *literally fatal* incarceration if she calls or emails to ask about her own cases, **or even if she braves the elements to go in person to a court clerk's office.**

This Court's 12 August 2026 ORDER in SC-App-# 2026-001246 overlooked Dr. Assa'ad-Faltas' requests related to **SC-App-## 2023-000383, 2021-000815, and 2013-000862**. This timely petition for rehearing reasserts the overlooked motions and insists that it is a continuing error for this Court in its administrative capacity to indulge Former Clerk Shearouse's "cheat sheet" introduced as Respondent's Exhibit 1 (attached) in the 22 March 2022 "trial" in SC-App-# 2021-00815.

If this Court is not horrified at the creation and continued circulation and enforcement of a document by its clerk urging all to deny a party her right to ask about her own cases in public offices during business hours, this petition's fate is doomed; *but so will be posterity's view of this Court after its members exit the bench. Yet, Dr. Assa'ad-Faltas hereby preserves her doomed rights.*

And this Court's purported bestowal of judicial powers on its current clerk and on SC's Court of Appeals' clerk is another grave error of 12 August 2026 ORDER in SC-App-# 2026-001246, which conflicts with this Court's numerous published and unpublished orders *specifically* holding that clerks of courts in SC's unified judicial system perform **ministerial functions only and have no authority to refuse to file a paper because the clerk thinks it is frivolous or untimely.** Frivolity and/or timeliness *vel non* are **judicial** determinations, not ministerial ones.

WHEREFORE, with the undersigned advocate's certification that this petition is made in good faith and after sufficient research, the 12 August 2026 DISPOSITIONAL ORDER in SC-App-# 2026-001246 should be rescinded and reheard **with all related matters** by a substitute SC Supreme Court.

Sincerely submitted on 27 August 2026 and served the same day by postage-prepaid first-class U.S. mail properly-addressed to each of Jason Hunter, Donald Zelenka, and Alice Price Adams.

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