

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

RECEIVED

Appeal from the Administrative Law Court
The Honorable Crystal M. Rookard, Administrative Law Judge
Docket Number 25-AJ-15-0033-AP

AUG 28 2026

SC Court of Appeals

Appellate Case No.: 2026-001548

HERBERT BELL, #132646,.....

APPELLANT

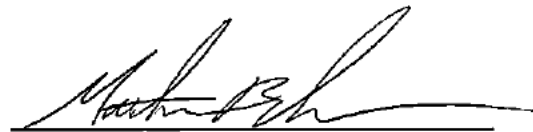
v.

S.C. DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE AND
PARDON SERVICES,.....

RESPONDENT

DESIGNATION OF MATTER

Respondent proposes no additional materials be added to the Record on Appeal.



Matthew Buchanan
General Counsel, SC Bar #73740

South Carolina Department of Probation,
Parole and Pardon Services
P.O. Box 207
Columbia, South Carolina 29202
(803) 734-9220

August 25, 2026

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

RECEIVED

Appeal from the Administrative Law Court
The Honorable Crystal M. Rookard, Administrative Law Judge
Docket Number 25-ALJ-15-0033-AP

AUG 28 2026

SC Court of Appeals

Appellate Case No.: 2026-001548

HERBERT BELL, #132646,.....

APPELLANT

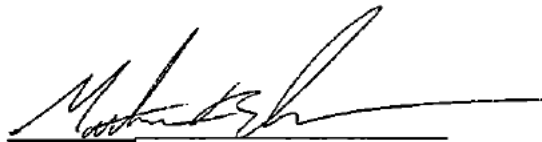
v.

S.C. DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE AND
PARDON SERVICES,.....

RESPONDENT

CERTIFICATE OF COUNSEL

The undersigned certifies that the Designation of Matter filed on August 25, 2026,
complies with Rule 209(c), and contains no matter which is irrelevant to the appeal.



Matthew C. Buchanan
General Counsel

August 25, 2026

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from the Administrative Law Court
The Honorable Crystal M. Rookard, Administrative Law Judge
Docket Number 25-AJ-15-0033-AP

Appellate Case No.: 2026-001548

RECEIVED

AUG 28 2026

SC Court of Appeals

HERBERT BELL, #132646,.....

APPELLANT

v.

S.C. DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE AND
PARDON SERVICES,.....

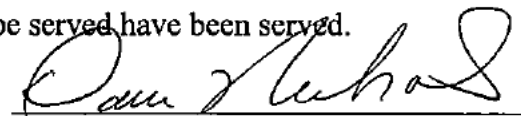
RESPONDENT

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Dawn Nichols, Executive Assistant, hereby certify that I have served the within *Initial Brief and Designation of Matter* on Appellant this 25th day of August, 2026, by depositing a copy of the same in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to:

Rebecca Depp, Esquire
Allison Elder, Esquire
Time Served
PO Box 615
Taylors, SC 29687

I further certify that all parties required by Rule to be served have been served.



Dawn K. Nichols
Executive Assistant
South Carolina Department of Probation,
Parole, and Pardon Services
P. O. Box 207
Columbia, South Carolina 29202

State of South Carolina
Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services

HENRY McMASTER
Governor



JAKE GADSDEN, JR.
Director

293 GREYSTONE BLVD
POST OFFICE BOX 207
COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA 29202
Telephone: (803) 734-9220
Facsimile: (803) 734-9440
www.state.sc.us/ppp

RECEIVED

AUG 28 2026

SC Court of Appeals

August 25, 2026

The Honorable Jenny Kitchings
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals
P. O. Box 11629
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

RE: **Herbert Bell v. SCDPPPS**
Case No.: 26-001548

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Please find enclosed the Respondent's Initial Brief and Designation of Matter dated August 25, 2026.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matthew C. Buchanan", written over a horizontal line.

Matthew C. Buchanan
General Counsel

MCB:dn
Enclosures

cc: Rebecca Depp, Esquire
Allison Elder, Esquire

State of South Carolina

Department of Probation, Parole, and Pardon Services

293 GREYSTONE BOULEVARD, POST OFFICE BOX 207
COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA 29202

RECEIVED

AUG 28 2026

SC Court of Appeals

The Honorable Jenny Kitchings
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals
P. O. Box 11629
Columbia, South Carolina 29211



US POSTAGESM PITNEY BOWES



ZIP 29210 \$ 002.56⁰
02 4W
0000369112 AUG 26 2026