

September 8, 2026

The Supreme Court of South Carolina
Clerk of Court
PO Box 11330
Columbia, SC 29211
Submitted via Email to: suptfilings@sccourts.org

RE: Louis M. Winkler, Jr. v. State
Appellate Case No. 2026-001856

Dear Ms. Howard:

I am writing to request that the above captioned case be dismissed as moot in light of Mr. Winkler's death on Monday, September 7, 2026. A copy of the preliminary death notice is attached. Please let me know if you require any further information regarding this request. By way of this letter, I have notified opposing counsel, Ms. Melody Brown.

Sincerely,

s/Emily C. Paavola

cc: Melody Brown via email at Mbrown@scag.gov

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