IN THE COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Case No.: 2026-001070

Shanda Tate

Appellant,

v.

Kasey Fowler

Respondent.

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APPELLANT'S MOTION TO REINSTATE APPEAL

The Appellant, Shanda Tate, appearing *pro se* (representing themselves), respectfully moves this Honorable Court to reinstate the above-captioned appeal. In support of this motion, Appellant shows the Court the following:

1. **Procedural Background:** This appeal was dismissed on September 08, 2026 due to failure to timely file the initial brief..
2. **Excusable Neglect:** The failure to comply with the court's deadline was not intentional, but rather the result of extraordinary personal hardship and administrative disruption constituting excusable neglect. I was being actively misled by the previous case manager- who told me everything was alright, right before leaving her position is a compelling argument for excusable neglect. I acted with reasonable diligence by relying on a professional assigned to handle or guide my case. The mistake happened because I was given false assurance, not because I abandoned my case.
3. **Loss of Family Member:** On or about August 16,2026, my mother passed away. Handling all the immediate before since June 05, 2026 to July 22, my mother health change dramatically from my mother being in the hospital, to coming home for palliative care (HOSPICE) and aftermath, funeral arrangements, and severe emotional distress severely impacted my ability to manage legal deadlines during this critical window.
4. **Disruption of Assistance:** Compounding this tragedy, my designated case manager unexpectedly left their position on or about , I did not know when my Case Manager Left. This sudden departure left me without critical administrative

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support and guidance, disrupting the preparation and timely filing of the required documents.

5. **Good Faith:** I have acted in good faith throughout this process and has worked diligently to rectify the omission immediately upon stabilizing their circumstances.
6. **No Prejudice:** Reinstating this appeal will not cause unfair prejudice to the Respondent, as the merits of the case have yet to be reviewed, and I am prepared to proceed expeditiously.

WHEREFORE, Appellant respectfully requests that this Honorable Court grant this Motion to Reinstate Appeal and provide a reasonable extension of 30 Days to submit the required filings.

Dated this 16th day of September, 2026.

Respectfully submitted by

Shanda Tate

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served the Motion To Reinstate Appeal (Document) on Kasey Fowler (Name) by depositing a copy of it in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, on 09-16-2026 (Date), addressed to,

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Motion To Reinstate Appeal "Good Cause + Excusable Neglect

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