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APPEAL FROM SUMTER COUNTY
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R. Kirk Griffin, Circuit Court Judge

Appellate Case No. 2026-000212

Claude Helton,.....Appellant,

V.

Sumter County Sheriff's Department,.....Respondent.

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I certify that I have provided the South Carolina Court of Appeals with the Final Brief of the Appellant and my Proof of Service, and that I emailed a copy of the correspondence to the Respondent Sumter County Sheriff's Department via their counsels, Steven R. Spreeuwers, Esquire, Rachel Hutchens, Esquire and David Leon Morris, Esquire; by emailing a copy of same to their AIS email address on September 21, 2026:

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Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Please find enclosed for filing an unbound copy of the **Final Brief of the Appellant** in the above referenced matter along with my Proof of Service in this matter.

Please filed the enclosed **Final Brief of the Appellant** and return a clocked copy to me.

If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely

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