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The Honorable Jenny A. Kitchings
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals
Post Office Box 11629
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Re: The State v. Johnathan Daquan Staley
Appellate Case No: 2025-002154

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

We are in receipt of Appellant's Motion to Hold Appeal in Abeyance and Motion to Transport and Unseal Court's Exhibits 9 in reference to the above appeal. Please accept this letter in lieu of a formal response by the State. Based on counsel's representations in these motions, Respondent has no objection.

Should you require anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

s/ Melody J. Brown

Melody J. Brown
Senior Assistant Deputy Attorney General

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cc: Joanna K. Delany, Esquire (*via email only*)

Angela Brown

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Ms. Delany, please find attached the State's response to the Motion to Hold in Abeyance and Motion to Transport and Unseal Court's Exhibit 9 in reference to the above appeal. The response will be electronically filed with the Court of Appeals on today's date.

Sincerely,

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