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VIA EMAIL ONLY (ctappfilings@sccourts.org)

The Honorable Jasmine D. Smith
Clerk of Court
South Carolina Court of Appeals
1220 Senate Street
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**Re: Marie Middleton, Appellant vs. Marisa Wright, Respondent
Case No.: 2026-001551**

Dear Ms. Smith:

I am writing to you to address three (3) separate issues. Please see below.

First, I would like to ask whether a corrected, conforming version of the Appellant's Initial Brief may be substituted electronically to conform to requirement that paper filings with the court be double-spaced in 12-point or larger type under Rule 267(c) and Rule 267(g) of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules (SCACR). Or, whether this should be corrected only with the bound copies to be submitted later in this appeal process.

Second, regarding legal citations, I would like to add the legal citation of *Holden v. Cribb*, 349 S.C. 132, 561 S.E.2d 634 (Ct. App. 2002) to the Appellant's Initial Brief. I believe that Rule 208(b)(7) of the SCACR allows a party to add new legal authority to the brief when it is pertinent and significant and comes to a party's attention after the initial brief has been served and filed. The case addresses mootness in the civil context and the exceptions listed therein are relevant to the Appellant's argument. I would like to reference it under the Request for Relief at both Pg. 4 and 5.

I would also like to correct my citation of *State v. Eubanks*, 392 S.C. 14, 708 S.E.2d 2 (2011) stated in the Appellant's Initial Brief. There appears to have been a typographical error with that case citing.

Third, on October 15, 2026, I requested via email to Respondent's counsel that Respondent's counsel clarify his manner of service to me. Respondent's most recent certificate of service states that service was made electronically **or** by U.S. mail, but does not specify which method was actually used. I have requested that counsel identify the specific method of service and provide appropriate proof of service to avoid ambiguity, with a preference to be both served electronically and via U.S. mail per Rule 262 of SCACR. Please let me know if this is not appropriate.

Sincerely,

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