

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM RICHLAND COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas

Daniel Coble, Circuit Court Judge

Appellant Case No.: 2026-000357

Civil Action No. 2022-CP-40-05552

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South Carolina Automobile and Truck Dealers Association,.....Respondent,

v.

South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs,.....Appellant.

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I, the undersigned attorney for the Appellant South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs, do hereby certify that on October 26, 2026, I have served all parties to this appeal (via electronic mail) with a copy of the documents referenced below:

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RE: South Carolina Automobile and Truck Dealers Association v. South Carolina
Department of Consumer Affairs
Appellate Case No.: 2026-000357

Dear Madam Clerk:

Pursuant to Section (b)(2) of the Supreme Court's Order Methods of Electronic Filing and Service Under Rule 262 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules (As Amended April 24, 2024), please find enclosed for filing the **Initial Reply Brief of Appellant** with regard to the above-referenced appeal. By copy of this letter, I am serving copies on all counsel of record by email only pursuant to Section (d)(1) of the same Supreme Court Order.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "P. Balthazor".

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