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Re: The State v. Benjamin A. Harkema
Appellate Case No. 2026-000392

Dear Mr. Grose:

This letter is to confirm our office received Appellant's Initial Brief and Designation of Matter in the above-referenced case and to advise you that I will be representing the State in this appeal. Please forward all future correspondence regarding this matter directly to me.

I look forward to working with you on this case.

Sincerely,

Joshua A. Edwards
Assistant Deputy Attorney General
SC Bar No. 101188

JAE/bc

cc: The Honorable Jenny A. Kitchings (copy via electronic filing)
Victim Advocacy Division