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V. Claire Allen, Deputy Clerk
South Carolina Court Of Appeals
P O Box 11629
Columbia, SC 29211

RE: SCDSS v. Samuel Heyward
CSED File No. 0444663
Appellate Case No. 2012-19580

Dear Ms. Allen:

Enclosed please find one original and six (6) copies of the Respondent SCDSS' Notice of Non-Appearance. While I could find no precedent for such, I just wanted to Court to be aware that SCDSS will not appear at an Oral Argument on October 30. Also enclosed is a signed Proof of Service indicating I've sent a notice to the attorney for the Appellant, Merrill Cox.

I thank you for your understanding and assistance.

Sincerely,



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State Attorney

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