

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Supreme Court

APPEAL FROM LEE COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas

Thomas W. Cooper, Jr., Circuit Court Judge

Appellate Case No. 2007-065159

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S.C. SUPREME COURT

Abbeville County School District, *et al.*,

Appellants-Respondents,

vs.

The State of South Carolina, *et al.*, of whom
Hugh K. Leatherman, as President Pro Tempore
of the Senate and as a representative of the
South Carolina Senate, and James H. Lucas,
as Speaker of the House of Representatives and
as a representative of The South Carolina House
of Representatives,
are

Respondents-Appellants,

and

State of South Carolina, Nikki R. Haley,
as Governor of the State of South Carolina,
are

Respondents.

PETITION TO SUBSTITUTE COUNSEL

Pursuant to Rule 264, SCACR, Respondents-Appellants petition the Court to permit them
to substitute new counsel of record this matter in place of their existing counsel as follows:

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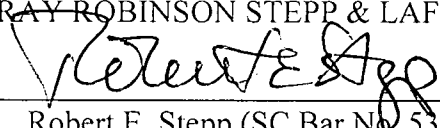
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The undersigned represent to the Court that Respondents-Appellants consent to this substitution as it indicated by their consents below, and that a copy of this Petition has been served on all other counsel of record.

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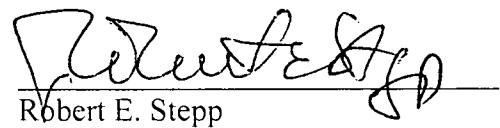
I hereby certify that I have caused to be served a copy of the Respondents-Appellants' Petition to Substitute Counsel upon counsel of record, as reflected below, by hand delivery, this 7th day of June 2016.

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