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RE: Ernest Battle, # 165247, v. South Carolina Department of Corrections
Appellate Case No. 2016-002412

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Enclosed please find the **Final Brief of Respondent** in the above captioned appeal, along with its corresponding **Certificate of Service**.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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