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The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings  
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Re: *City of Barnwell et al. v. County of Barnwell et al.*, Appellate Case No. 2018-001713  
HSB File No. 11650.0003

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

On behalf of Defendant/Appellant Barnwell County, I filed a Notice of Appeal in this matter on September 21. At that time, we had already received the transcripts of the trial and of the hearing on the motion to reconsider (the proceedings from which the two orders on appeal were made). Consequently, our initial brief would be due on Monday, October 22.

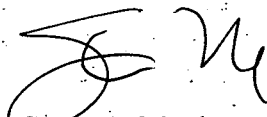
There is still pending below Plaintiffs'/Respondents' request for attorney's fees. In the expectation that some or all parties may appeal the decision on that motion, we filed simultaneously with the notice a motion, consented to by all parties, seeking to stay briefing deadlines in this matter until the trial court rules on attorney's fees. Such a stay would allow all aspects of this case to be consolidated into one appeal and briefed together.

We have not yet received an order on the motion to stay. As the deadline for Defendant's/Appellant's brief is now less than two weeks away, I wanted to advise the Court that the transcripts for the matters currently under appeal are in hand and to inquire as to the status of the consent motion for stay.

Thank you very much for any guidance you may provide.

With best regards, I remain

yours truly,

  
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