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S.C. SUPREME COURT

Re: Nikolay Gul, Claimant, Appellant v. Kohler Company, Respondent
Appellate Case No. 2019-000647
WCC File No.: 0912295

Dear Honorable Mr. Shearouse:

I am writing to respectfully request that the Court reinstate the above-referenced Appellate Case and allow Appellant Gul the opportunity to file a Writ of Certiorari *pro se*. In this regard, I am concurrently requesting that the Court relieve me as counsel for Appellant Gul. To effectuate Appellant Gul's opportunity to so file, I am hereby enclosing (1) a Motion to Reinstate under SCACR 240(a), and (2) a Motion to be Relieved as Counsel under SCACR 240(a) as well.

By way of background, I previously requested an extension to file a Writ of Certiorari on behalf of Appellant Gul, who was my client, and which was granted by this Court on May 2, 2019. The deadline to file the Writ of Certiorari was May 23, 2019. Appellant Gul *timely* attempted to file the Writ of Certiorari, *pro se*, by the May 23, 2019 deadline. However, the attempted filing was rejected by this Court as reflected by the Court's May 29, 2019 Order, and which consequently caused this case to be dismissed.

For reasons Appellant Gul and I (as his attorney) discussed within the context of the attorney-client relationship, I withdrew as his counsel in this matter and encouraged him to timely file his Writ of Certiorari, if he still desired to do so. He still desired to file it (and attempted to, but was rejected as described above). In this regard, I was and am fully supportive of his filing a Writ of Certiorari, *pro se*.

Therefore, it seems only fair and just for this Court to consider and grant the enclosed Motions to reinstate this case, to grant my request to be relieved as Counsel for Appellant Gul, and to allow Appellant Gul to file a Writ of Certiorari, *pro se*.

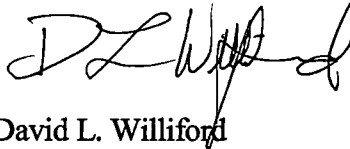
I am hereby providing notice of these Motions to opposing counsel, Grady L. Beard, Esq., the Clerk of the South Carolina Court of Appeals, and the Judicial Director of the South Carolina Workers' Compensation Commission, each by copy of this letter and its enclosures.

I also am enclosing the original and six (6) copies of the enclosed Motions, as required under SCACR 240(d) along with a self-addressed, stamped envelope for return of the file-stamped copy. Finally, I am enclosing two checks for the required \$50.00 filing fee (for each Motion) for a total of \$100.00 for the filing of these Motions.

Thank you so much for your consideration and assistance.

Sincerely,

DAVIS, SNYDER, WILLIFORD & LEHN, P.A.



David L. Williford

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Enclosures as stated

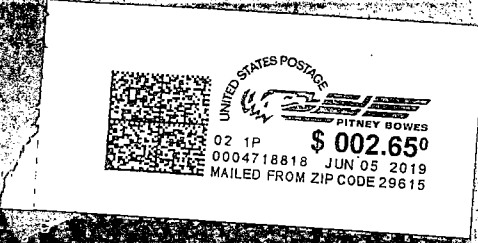
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