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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
In the Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM CHARLESTON COUNTY  
Court of Common Pleas

Bentley D. Price, Circuit Court Judge

Case No. 2018-CP-10-03929

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**SC Court of Appeals**

John Doe,.....Respondent,

v.

Bishop of Charleston, a Corporation Sole, and the  
Bishop of Charleston, in his official capacity,.....Defendants,

Of which, the Bishop of Charleston, in his official capacity is.....Appellant.

**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

The Appellant Bishop of Charleston in his individual capacity hereby appeals the Orders of the Honorable Bentley D. Price, which have the effect of striking a defense asserted in the Appellant's Answer and which directly affect the Appellant's substantial constitutional rights and the substantial constitutional rights of Bishop of Charleston, a Corporation Sole. Counsel for the Appellant received written notice of the entry of the original Order on July 24, 2019, and filed a timely motion pursuant to Rule 59(e), SCRPC. Counsel for the Appellant received written notice of the entry of the Order denying that motion on August 5, 2019. Copies of the two Orders are attached.

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**PROOF OF SERVICE**

The undersigned, an attorney in this matter for the Appellant, certifies that I have this **3<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2019**, served a copy of the **Notice of Appeal** on counsel for the Respondent by causing it to be deposited in the United States mail with sufficient postage attached, addressed to: Lawrence E. Richter, Jr., and Jennifer S. Ivey; The Richter Firm, LLC; 622 Johnnie Dodds Blvd., Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464.

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Re: John Doe v. The Diocese of Charleston, et al.  
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Our File No. 8724.252

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Enclosed are the following materials: (1) the original and one copy of the Notice of Appeal, (2) the original and one copy of the Proof of Service, and (3) a check for the filing fee. Please file the originals and return the stamped copies to our courier. Thank you for your kind assistance.

Sincerely,

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