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**Re: Scheer v. Southern Myrtle Inpatient Services, LLC, et al**  
**Civil Action No. 2017-CP-26-1571**

Dear Ms. Allen:

Our firm has been retained to file an appeal in the above referenced civil action. Please find enclosed a copy of our letter to Grace Hurley, Court Reporter, regarding the transcript for the trial in the referenced civil action. Also enclosed is a copy of an email chain between trial counsel and Ms. Hurley.

Very truly yours,



Robert L. Widener

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cc: Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings

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**Re: Scheer v. Southern Myrtle Inpatient Services, LLC  
Civil Action No. 2017-CP-26-1571**

Dear Ms. Grace:

It is our understanding that you were the Court Reporter for the trial in Case Number 2017-CP-26-1571, which resulted in a verdict and judgment against Southern Myrtle Inpatient Services (SMIS). On August 13, 2019, trial counsel for SMIS ordered the entire trial transcript from you pursuant to emails between yourself and trial counsel's paralegal (copy attached).

We have commenced an appeal to the South Carolina Court of Appeals on behalf of SMIS. Please let us know when the transcript has been completed. Also, please let us know if you need anything further from us at this time.

We thank you in advance for your kind assistance in this matter,

Very truly yours,



Robert L. Widener

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cc: South Carolina Court of Appeals  
Desiree Allen, Court Administration

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**From:** Celeste Shumate Jones <cshumatejones@hallboothsmith.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 13, 2019 10:33 AM  
**To:** Hurley, Grace L.  
**Subject:** RE: Scheer v. Patel, et al. - 2017-CP-26-1571 - trial transcript [IWOV-chdms.FID80105]

Yes, that is fine. Please let me know if you need anything. For billing purposes, please reference the following on the invoice: Scheer v. Patel, 6340.0088.

Thank you,

Celeste Shumate Jones  
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**From:** Hurley, Grace L. <GHurley@sccourts.org>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 9, 2019 11:31 AM  
**To:** Celeste Shumate Jones <cshumatejones@hallboothsmith.com>  
**Subject:** Re: Scheer v. Patel, et al. - 2017-CP-26-1571 - trial transcript [IWOV-chdms.FID80105]

I estimate the above transcript to be 950 pages. The total cost of the transcript for the hearing noted above will be \$4,037.50. Under our rules I have 60 days in which to complete the transcript.

PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOU DO NOT WISH FOR ME TO PREPARE THE TRANSCRIPT. ALSO, if at some point you no longer need the transcript, whatever I have prepared up to that of the transcript you will be responsible for the payment of same.

Thanks,

Grace L. Hurley, CVR-CM-M  
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**From:** Celeste Shumate Jones <cshumatejones@hallboothsmith.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 5, 2019 11:45:01 AM  
**To:** Hurley, Grace L.  
**Subject:** RE: Scheer v. Patel, et al. - 2017-CP-26-1571 - trial transcript [IWOV-chdms.FID80105]

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Good Morning Grace:

I hope you're doing well.

We would like the transcript in its entirety, to include everything you listed below.

Please let us know if you have any questions or need anything.

Thank you!

Celeste Shumate Jones  
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From: Hurley, Grace L. <GHurley@sccourts.org>  
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Subject: Re: Scheer v. Patel, et al. - 2017-CP-26-1571 - trial transcript [IWOV-chdms.FID80105]

Do you want the complete transcript -- do you want the following:

voir dire, jury selection

opening statement

closing statements.

Let me know and I will send you an estimate. Payment is due upon completion -- I have 60 days to complete.

Grace L. Hurley, CVR-CM-M  
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From: Celeste Shumate Jones <cshumatejones@hallboothsmith.com>  
Sent: Thursday, August 1, 2019 5:22:08 PM  
To: Hurley, Grace L.  
Cc: Sandra Kardish

Subject: Scheer v. Patel, et al. - 2017-CP-26-1571 - trial transcript [IWOV-chdms.FID80105]

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I hope you're doing well today.

We would like to obtain the trial transcript from case no 2017-CP-26-1571. Could you please let us know what information you need for this?

Thank you,

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