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The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings

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RE: Archie Patterson v. SCDEW

Appellate Case No. 2019-000599

Our File Number: 79.9168

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

This status report is filed in the above case, pursuant to the Court's Order of July 12, 2019, holding this appeal in abeyance and partially remanding the case to the circuit court to consider the pending motion made pursuant to Rule 59(e) of the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure. Prior events in the scheduling of the motion hearing in this case have been set forth in previous status letters.

Judge Clifton Newman, Chief Administrative Judge for the Second Circuit, who had planned to hear the motion on April 6, 2020 prior to the COVID-19 situation, did hear the motion in Barnwell on June 2. Judge Newman issued an order, which was filed on July 22, 2020. It is anticipated that the Defendant, the Department of Employment and Workforce, will be appealing that written order.

Presumably, the filing of a Notice of Appeal will cause the case to be removed from its present "held in abeyance" status, and that once the transcript of the June 2, 2020 hearing is received, the case will be ready for initial briefing. I discussed this briefly last week with Ms. Allen. After the Notice of Appeal has been filed, I will be in touch to confirm that no additional status reports will be needed after this one.

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With highest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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