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**RE: Thomas Thompson, 80681, v. South Carolina Department of Corrections**  
**Appellate Case No. 2020-000356**

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Enclosed please find the **Final Brief of Respondent** in the above captioned appeal, along with **Proof of Service**. Thank you for your attention to this matter, and please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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