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Re: PCS Nitrogen, Inc. v. Continental Casualty Co.
Appellate Case No. 2020-000445

Dear Counsel:

The arguments in this case will be conducted live in the Supreme Court Courtroom in Columbia on Tuesday, June 15, 2021. Please note that the start time has been changed to 10:30 a.m., and the following times have been allocated for the arguments:

Petitioner:	15 minutes
Respondents:	15 minutes
Petitioner in Reply:	5 minutes

Unfortunately, COVID-19 still poses a danger, and the arguments in this case will be subject to the following:

(1) This Court's current policy is to limit each party arguing to having two counsel present for this argument. Further, if multiple parties are represented by the same lawyers, only two of those lawyers may be present for the arguments. Therefore, the maximum number of lawyers I anticipate allowing in the Supreme Court Building on behalf of the petitioner is 2.

As to the respondents, the respondents filed a joint brief. The respondents' brief shows 8 groups of lawyers representing various respondents, with some of these groups including lawyers who represent more than one respondent. To avoid having too many lawyers present to maintain appropriate social distancing, I ask that only one lawyer appear from each of these groups. Therefore, the maximum number of lawyers I anticipate allowing in the Supreme Court Building on behalf

of the respondents is 8. If, of course, the respondents are willing to limit the number further, this would be helpful.

I ask that each party provide the names of the lawyer(s) who will be present in the Supreme Court Building on that party's behalf. This information should be provided by e-mail to suptfilings@sccourts.org by Thursday, June 10, 2021.

(2) All other lawyers in this case and the parties may view the proceeding on the Supreme Court Video Portal at <https://www.sccourts.org/SCvideo>. In addition to live streaming, a recording of the arguments will be posted to the Video Portal on the afternoon following the arguments.

(3) The lawyers who will be entering the Supreme Court Building will be allowed to enter the Building no earlier than 10 minutes prior to the start of the arguments. Please plan your arrival time accordingly.

(4) A mask must be worn at all times while in the Supreme Court Building and grounds, including the front portico and the parking lot. The mask may only be removed while a lawyer is actually presenting his or her argument to the Court. Further, social distancing of at least 6 feet must be maintained at all times while in the Supreme Court Building and grounds, including the front portico and the parking lot.

(5) Depending on number of lawyers who will be present, seating may be assigned.

(6) You will be issued a bottle of hand sanitizer. I ask that you use this immediately prior to coming forward to the podium, or prior to going to, or upon returning from, the restrooms. This will help minimize the risk of contamination of the podium area or the restrooms.

(7) Upon the conclusion of the oral arguments, I ask that you exit the Courtroom in a manner that maintains appropriate social distancing. Please do not gather to talk until you exit the Building and the front portico.

I look forward to seeing the lawyers who will be arguing this case. I deeply regret that the COVID-19 pandemic continues to impact our ability to conduct oral arguments without restrictions, and I can assure you that the Supreme Court of South Carolina looks forward with great anticipation to the day when this pandemic no longer adversely affects our ability to conduct oral arguments.

If you have any questions or concerns related to this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. E. S." followed by a long, sweeping horizontal flourish.

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