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The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse Clerk of Court Supreme Court of South Carolina P.O. Box 11330 Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Re: SCRCP 6 and 7 Amendments

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

Pursuant to the notice circulated this week pertaining to the above referenced amendments, please accept the following endorsement of same.

The proposed revisions are a wonderful improvement that will facilitate presentation of the issues to the Court and that will ensure that all counsel are adequately prepared to address the issues raised for and against the proposed Motion. This also serves the goals of judicial economy in that the Court will be better prepared to rule on matters in advance rather than taking them under advisement while allowing the other side to respond to issues raised in memoranda in support, which presently are often not actually submitted until the day of the hearing during oral argument.

I truly hope that these revisions pass, and I can think of no reason that anyone who is a friend of preparedness and efficiency would have in opposition to these revisions.

With kind regards, I remain,

JDH/cmf

cc: Rule6@sccourts.org