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August 6, 2021

Mr. Donald J. Zelenka
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RE: State v. Eric B. Powers
Charge: CSC 3rd w/Minor
Ticket/Warrant No.: 2018A4210100575

Dear Don:

I am writing in follow-up to my email of August 4, 2021 regarding the above-referenced matter be re-assigned to your office.

I believe any involvement with this matter by our office would be a conflict of interest due to the interaction between Assistant Solicitor Wendy Hallford, the victim in this matter, as well as Jennifer Ladue (victim in a previous case where Asst. Solicitor Hallford dismissed the case). I am enclosing a copy of the email which outlines the issues. I would request that the Office of the Attorney General be responsible for the review of this matter.

If you need any additional information or have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Thank you for your assistance in the matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Barry J. Barnette".

Barry J. Barnette
Solicitor

BJB:sop
Enclosure:

cc: Megan Burrell, Spartanburg County Sheriff's Office

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ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

RECEIVED 8/9/21

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