## The South Carolina Court of Appeals

The State, Respondent,

v.

Richard Alexander Murdaugh, Appellant.

Appellate Case No. 2023-000392

## **ORDER**

Appellant filed a motion to hold this appeal in abeyance and remand to the circuit court to allow him to file a motion for new trial pursuant to Rule 29(b) of the South Carolina Rules of Criminal Procedure. Respondent filed a return, and Appellant filed a reply. After careful consideration, we grant Appellant's motion. This appeal shall be held in abeyance until resolution of the Rule 29(b) motion. Appellant shall provide this court with status updates every thirty days. Failure to file status updates may result in dismissal of this appeal.

J Bun Wlleam C.J
FOR THE COURT

Columbia, South Carolina

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