



HENRY DARGAN McMASTER  
GOVERNOR

December 19, 2024

Anthony S.H. Catone, Esquire  
General Counsel  
South Carolina Department of Social Services  
Post Office Box 1520  
Columbia, South Carolina 29202

Dear Mr. Catone:

I hereby authorize you to assume the duties and responsibilities of Acting State Director of the South Carolina Department of Social Services, effective at 5:01 p.m. on January 2, 2025, and until such time as I take different or additional action with respect to said position or until a new state director is appointed and confirmed by the Senate in accordance with section 43-1-10 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, whichever event occurs first.

Thank you for your willingness to continue serving the State of South Carolina in this capacity. Should you have any questions or concerns or if I can be of assistance in any way, please do not hesitate to call on me.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Henry Dargan McMaster".

Henry Dargan McMaster

cc: The Honorable Michael Leach  
State Director  
South Carolina Department of Social Services