

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF GEORGIA

Hannah Renee Payne

Appellant,

v.

State of Georgia,

Appellee.

Case No. S26A0459

Appeal from Superior
Court, Clayton County

Lower Court No.
2019CR01737-14

Appellee's Response to Motion to Clarify

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On March 27, 2026, Appellant filed *Appellant's Motion for Direct Supplemental Production*, which was identified in the record and in this Court's May 5, 2026, Opinion as a "motion to clarify". In Appellant's motion she sought clarification regarding a news article which reported that District Attorney Tasha Mosley had acknowledged apologizing to the trial court for ADA Deborah Leslie's statements to this Court. In this Court's May 5, 2026, Opinion it was noted that the Court "previously ordered counsel for the State to produce all communications it had with the trial court concerning the proposed order denying Payne's motion for new trial." Op. pg. 5. The Court clarified that "[t]o the extent there is a letter, email, or other written communication by or on behalf of the Clayton County District Attorney to the trial court concerning the proposed order (including an apology for the submission of the proposed order), that communication falls within the scope of [this Court's] order and shall be provided to this Court and to counsel for Payne without delay." Op. pgs. 5-6.

On March 18, 2026, after observing the oral argument in this case, District Attorney Mosley called Superior Court Judge Jewel Scott's phone and apologized for her office providing the trial court with a proposed order containing non-existent cases and for ADA Deborah Leslie's statements to this Court about the proposed order. Judge Scott accepted District Attorney Mosley's apology. That was

the extent of District Attorney Mosley's communication with the trial court concerning the proposed order, and no letter, email, or other written communication exists of that phone call. All other known communication by or on behalf of the Clayton County District Attorney's Office has already been provided to this Court and counsel for Payne.

This submission does not exceed the word-count limit imposed by Rule 20.

Respectfully submitted this 5 day of May, 2026.

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I hereby certify that I have this day served a copy of the foregoing Appellee's Response to Motion to Clarify via e-mail in PDF format upon the parties based on a prior agreement between the parties that such service shall be sufficient under Supreme Court Rule 14 and addressed as follows:

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