

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
GREENVILLE DIVISION**

Aimee Maddonna,)
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 Plaintiff,)
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 v.)
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 United States Department of Health and)
 Human Services; Alex Azar, in his official)
 capacity as Secretary of the United States)
 Department of Health and Human)
 Services; Administration for Children and)
 Families, Department of Health and)
 Human Services; Steven Wagner, in his)
 official capacity as Principal Deputy)
 Assistant Secretary of the Administration)
 For Children and Families; Henry)
 McMaster, in his official; capacity as)
 Governor of the State of South Carolina;)
 and Joan B. Meacham, in her official)
 capacity as Acting State Director of the)
 South Carolina Department of Social)
 Services)
 Defendants.)
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Civil Action No.
6:19-cv-00448-TMC

**MOTION TO SUBSTITUTE MICHAEL
LEACH AS DIRECTOR OF THE SOUTH
CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL
SERVICES**

Michael Leach, in his official capacity as State Director of the South Carolina Department of Social Services, hereby moves, pursuant to Rule 25(d), F.R.Civ.P., to be substituted for Joan B. Meacham, in her official capacity as Acting State Director of the South Carolina Department of Social Services. Former Acting Director Meacham was succeeded by Mr. Leach on April 18, 2019. Rule 25(d) provides that when a public officer who is a party in an official capacity ceases to hold office while the action is pending, the court may order substitution of the official’s successor as a party.

Undersigned counsel has consulted with counsel for all parties, who advise that they consent to this motion.

Respectfully submitted,

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