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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF MISSISSIPPI

No. 2026-EC-00677-SCT

ANTHONY “TONY” SMITH

Appellant

v.

DAVID L. ARCHIE

Appellee

ORDER

This matter is before the undersigned Justice on the Appellee’s Amended Motion for Emergency Expedited Briefing Schedule and Disposition and the Motion to Strike Appellant’s Untimely Response both filed by David L. Archie. “[E]lection contests (both primary and general) are by their very nature required to be put on a ‘fast-track’ by both election officials and the courts.” ***Waters v. Gnemi***, 901 So. 2d 307, 316 (Miss. 2005). The undersigned Justice finds that the appeal should be expedited. The court reporter shall complete the transcript in this matter on or before August 14, 2026. The trial court clerk shall submit the appellate record within ten days of completion of the transcript. The appellant’s brief shall be filed within ten days of submission of the record. The appellee’s brief shall be filed within ten days of filing of the appellant’s brief. No extensions will be granted absent exigent circumstances. The undersigned Justice further finds that the request to strike the appellant’s response should be denied.

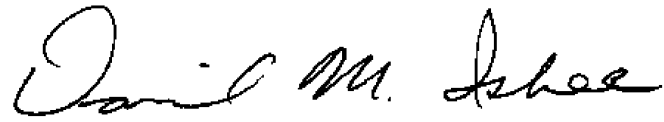
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Appellee’s Amended Motion for Emergency Expedited Briefing Schedule is granted in part.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Motion to Strike Appellant’s Untimely

Response is denied.

SO ORDERED.

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David M. Ishee, Justice