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STATE OF MONTANA,

Plaintiff and Appellee,

v. O R D E R

JUSTICE TYLER MCFARLAND,

Defendant and Appellant.

This Court reviews briefs to ensure compliance with Rules 11 and 12 of the Montana Rules of Appellate Procedure. After reviewing the Appellant's opening brief filed electronically on May 28, 2026, this Court has determined that the brief does not comply with the below-referenced Rule and must be resubmitted.

M. R. App. P. 12(1)(i) requires an opening brief to contain an "appendix that includes the relevant judgment, order(s), findings of fact, conclusions of law, jury instruction(s), ruling(s), or decision(s) from which the appeal is taken together with any written memorandum or rationale of the court, and those pages of the transcript containing any oral ruling in support." The Appellant's opening brief does not contain an appendix.

Therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that the referenced brief is rejected.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within ten (10) days of the date of this Order the Appellant shall electronically file with the Clerk of this Court a revised brief containing the revisions necessary to comply with the specified Rule and that the Appellant shall serve copies of the revised brief on all parties of record;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that no changes, additions, or deletions other than those specified in this Order may be made to the brief as originally filed; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the times for any subsequent briefing contained in M. R. App. P. 13 shall run from the date of filing of the revised brief.

The Clerk is directed to provide a true copy of this Order to the Appellant and to all parties of record.

Electronically signed by:
Ingrid Gustafson
Justice, Montana Supreme Court
May 28 2026