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You are hereby notified that Justice Janet C. Protasiewicz has entered the following order:

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2023AP1450-CR

State v. Pierce, L.C. #2020CF2800

On April 8, 2025, Toby Pierce, Jr., submitted to the clerk of this court a pro se document entitled by Mr. Pierce as "Motion for Time Reduction or Sentence Modification for Case #20CF2800 Ct. 1." The motion was addressed solely to me individually. The clerk of this court filed this document as a miscellaneous motion in this appeal, which is currently pending before the court of appeals. When I was a Milwaukee County circuit court judge, I presided over Mr. Pierce's criminal case (State v. Pierce, Milwaukee County Case No. 2020CF2800) through sentencing. Under Wis. Stat. § 757.19(2)(e), a judge of an appellate court shall disqualify herself from any civil or criminal action when she has "previously handled the action or proceeding while judge of an inferior court." Consequently, I am required by law to recuse myself from considering Mr. Pierce's motion and will take no action on it. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that no action will be taken on the "Motion for Time Reduction or Sentence Modification for Case #20CF2800 Ct. 1" filed by Toby Pierce, Jr., on April 8, 2025.

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Samuel A. Christensen  
Clerk of Supreme Court