

Xi-Amaru v. Finley – Case No. 2023-CP-24-00116
Order Denying Appeal

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF GREENWOOD)
Zaatnure Xi-Amaru,)
Appellant,)
vs.)
Dane Finley Sr.,)
Respondent.)

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Case No. 2023-CP-24-00116
ORDER DENYING APPEAL

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SC Court of Appeals

Presiding Judge: The Honorable Donald B. Hocker
Court Reporter: Lisa G. Amick
Appellant's Attorney: Pro se (Present)
Respondent's Attorney: R. Jamison Tinsley Jr.
Date of Hearing: July 10, 2023

This matter came before the Court on Appellant Xi-Amaru's timely appeal of the Greenwood County Magistrate Court's ruling that granted Respondent Finley a pickup order on his claim and delivery action.

Appellant made a sovereign-citizen type argument as he argued that he was an inhabitant non-resident that belongs to his own tribal government so the Magistrate lacked jurisdiction over him.

After hearing arguments from the parties, this court makes the following ruling:

1. The Magistrate Court had personal jurisdiction over Appellant given that Appellant is a resident of Greenwood County, South Carolina, and the personal property items are present in Greenwood County.
2. The Magistrate Court also had subject matter jurisdiction to determine claim and delivery cases such as the one filed by Respondent in this case.
3. Appellant's argument lacks merit, and he has failed to show that the Magistrate erred in granting Respondent a pickup order for the items of personal property at issue in this claim and delivery action.

Accordingly, Appellant's appeal is denied as the Magistrate Court had jurisdiction to issue the pickup order to resolve Respondent's claim and delivery action.

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