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APPEAL FROM RICHLAND COUNTY

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The Honorable Joseph Strickland, Master in Equity

Appellate Case No. 2023-001826

Case No.: 2023-CP-40-03343

Freedom Mortgage Corporation, Respondent,

v.

Sherman Smith, Appellant.

RESPONDENT'S RETURN

Freedom Mortgage Corporation ("**Respondent**") files this Return to the Appellant's Motion to Dismiss ("**Motion**"). Respondent does not object to the appeal being dismissed, however to the extent that the Motion seeks to dismiss the underlying state court action filed in the Richland County Common Pleas C/A No.: 2023-CP-40-03343 ("**Trial Court Action**"), the Respondent objects to this request as the Sherman Smith ("**Appellant**") does not provide a basis for the dismissal of the Trial Court Action.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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Certificate of Service

I, the undersigned attorney for Freedom Mortgage Corporation does hereby certify that I have served the below in this action with a copy of the Respondent's Return via regular mail.

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