

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
In the Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM BEAUFORT COUNTY  
Court of Common Pleas  
The Honorable Marvin H. Dukes, Master-in-Equity

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Case No.: 2011-CP-07-2176  
Appellate Case No.: 2013-000222

Bloody Point Property Owners Association, Inc., David L. Fingerhut,  
and Patricia M. Santry..... Respondents,

v.

William A. Ashton, Jr. and Michele C. Ashton..... Appellants.

RESPONDENTS' RETURN TO MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
IN WHICH TO FILE APPELLANTS' INITIAL REPLY BRIEF

Respondents David L. Fingerhut and Patricia M. Santry ("Respondents") oppose the Appellants' motion for a thirty (30) day extension of time in which to file Appellants' Initial Reply Brief on the following grounds:

1. The Notice of Appeal was filed in this action on January 22, 2013.
2. The Clerk for the Court of Appeals extended the deadline for Appellants to serve their Initial Brief by sixty (60) days.
3. The Clerk for the Court of Appeals extended the deadline for Respondents to serve their Initial Brief by thirty (30) days.
4. On July 10, 2013, Respondents timely served their Initial Brief and Designation of Matter to Be Included on Appeal. Appellants admit that lead counsel received Respondents' Initial Brief on July 12, 2013, and co-counsel received the Initial Brief on July 17, 2013.
5. Appellants waited until July 23, 2013 – one day after the deadline for serving their Initial Reply Brief – to serve their Motion for Extension of Time in Which to File Appellants' Initial Brief. Further, the Appellants request an additional thirty (30) days to file the Initial Reply Brief. This request, if granted, would triple the time allotted for Appellants' Initial Reply Brief.

6. Respondents have accommodated Appellants' reasonable requests for time extensions in this matter, as evidenced by the Respondents' consent to Appellants' request to extend the deadline to serve the Initial Brief by sixty (60) days. However, this appeal has been pending for six months, and the present request for an extension is excessive. This matter acts as a cloud on the title of real property owned by the Respondents. Therefore, Respondents are prejudiced by any delay in completion of this appeal.
7. Respondents hereby consent to a fifteen day extension of time for Appellants to serve their Initial Reply Brief, thereby making the new deadline August 6, 2013. Respondents respectfully request that the Court of Appeals deny Appellants' request for a thirty-day extension.

Respectfully submitted,



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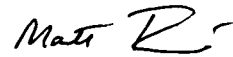
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