

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )  
 )  
COUNTY OF GEORGTOWN )  
 )  
Georgetown Probate Case No. )  
2019-ES-22-00552 )

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
APPEAL FROM PROBATE COURT

CASE NUMBER: 2023-CP-22-00161

IN THE MATTER OF: )  
ESTATE OF MARY HELEN )  
HARDWICK (Decedent) )

**ORDER DENYING THE APPELLANT'S  
RULE 59(e) MOTION TO ALTER OR  
AMEND ORDER**

Aubrey Dean Hardwick a/k/a )  
Dean Hardwick, Individually and )  
as Personal Representative of )  
the Estate of Mary Helen Hardwick, )  
Appellant, )

vs. )

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**SC Court of Appeals**

Robin Beverly n/k/a Robin )  
Hardwick, Pansy Goodson, )  
Julius Harold Goodson, Jr., )  
and Tammy Ludlam, )  
 )  
Respondents. )

Georgetown Probate Case No. )  
2021-ES-22-00054 )  
IN THE MATER OF: )

ESTATE OF AUBREY )  
HARDWICK (Decedent) )

Aubrey Dean Hardwick a/k/a Dean )  
Hardwick, )  
Appellant, )

vs. )

Robin Hardwick, Pansy Goodson, )  
Julius Harold Goodson, Jr., )  
and Tammy Ludlam, )  
Respondents. )

Georgetown Probate Case No. )  
 2019-GC-22-00026 (Guardianship) )  
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 IN THE MATTER OF AUBREY )  
 HARDWICK )  
 (Alleged Incapacitated Adult) )  
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 Aubrey Dean Hardwick a/k/a )  
 Dean Hardwick, )  
 Appellant, )  
 vs. )  
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 Aubrey Hardwick, Robin Hardwick, )  
 Pansy Goodson, and Tammy )  
 Ludlum, )  
 Respondents. )

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Georgetown Probate Case No. )  
 2019-GC-22-00027 )  
 (Conservatorship) )  
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 IN THE MATTER OF AUBREY )  
 HARDWICK )  
 (Alleged Incapacitated Adult) )  
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 Aubrey Dean Hardwick a/k/a )  
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THIS MATTER came before the Court by way of Appellant’s Rule 59(e) Motion to Alter or Amend Order, filed on March 14, 2024. On March 4th, 2024, this Court affirmed the Probate Court’s prior ruling, issued on July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023, by the Honorable Leigh P. Boan, finding that the Appellant was not entitled to Attorney’s Fees and Costs pursuant to SC Code Ann. § 62-5-105.

This Court also reaffirmed the Appellant is entitled to an award of Three Thousand Five and 00/100ths Dollars (\$3,005.00) pursuant to S.C. Code § 62-3-720. Thereafter, the Appellant filed its Motion to Alter or Amend Order on March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

In making its ruling, this court adopts all of the facts and circumstances and conclusions of law found by the Probate Court. It is the position of this Court and a further conclusion of law that this matter was in discretion of the Probate Court, and this Court makes no finding that the Probate Court abused that discretion.

Having duly considered the Motion of the Appellant, this Court has determined that its original ruling of March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024 is fully supported by the law and is hereby ratified and reconfirmed. This Court again reaffirms the Probate Court's original ruling and finds that the Appellant is not entitled to Attorney's Fees and Court Costs pursuant to SC Code Ann. § 62-5-105 for the exact reasons stated in the Probate Court's July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 order.

Furthermore, this Court reaffirms the Probate Court's July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 ruling as to S.C. Code § 62-3-720, this Court finds that the original ruling is fully supported by the law, in which the Appellant was awarded Three Thousand Five and 00/100ths Dollars (\$3,005.00). The motion is therefore DENIED.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

JUDGE'S ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE TO FOLLOW.





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et al  
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H. Steven DeBerry, IV

Circuit Court Judge 2771