

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)	IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
)	NINTH JUDUCIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY OF CHARLESTON)	CASE NO.: 2020-CP-10-03043
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ERIC BERNARD BOWMAN,)	
)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	ORDER
v.)	
)	
WALLACE BLAIR CROSBY,)	
)	
Defendant.)	
)	
_____)	IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
Samantha Albert,)	NINTH JUDUCIAL CIRCUIT
)	CASE NO.: 2020-CP-10-03043
Plaintiff,)	
)	
v.)	
)	
Eric Bernard Bowman,)	
)	
Defendant.)	
_____)	

This case came before the Court on June 10 to June 13, 2024 for a jury trial on Plaintiff’s claims, Plaintiff’s cross-claims, and Third-Party Plaintiff’s claims. A full trial was held, and the jury returned a verdict in favor of the Defendant Wallace Blair Crosby. Plaintiff Eric Bernard Bowman moved for judgment notwithstanding the verdict (“JNOV”). The Court must deny a motion for JNOV if the evidence yields more than one reasonable inference or its inference is in doubt. (*Strange v. S.C. Dep’t of Highways & Pub. Transp.*, 314 S.C. 427, 445 S.E.2d 439 (1994)). Moreover, a motion for JNOV may be granted only if no reasonable jury could have reached the challenged verdict. (*Gastineau v. Murphy*, 331 S.C. 565, 568, 503 S.E.2d 712, 713 (1998)). In considering a motion for JNOV, the Court is concerned with the existence of

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evidence, not its weight. (Curcio v. Caterpillar, Inc., 355 S.C. 316, 585 S.E.2d 272 (2003)).

Based on the foregoing, Plaintiff's motion for JNOV is DENIED, without the need for a hearing.

The Court finds that, viewed in the light most favorable to the non-moving party, sufficient evidence exists to support a jury finding in favor of Defendant Crosby. The Court further finds that the verdict is well within the evidence presented, is not unduly liberal, and is not actuated by passion or prejudice.

Presiding Judge, Circuit Court
Ninth Judicial Circuit

This ____ day of _____, 2024
_____, South Carolina



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defendant, et al
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So Ordered

s/Jennifer B. McCoy #2764

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