

Graciela Rocha et al  
PLAINTIFF(S)

Harold J. Murdaugh, Jr  
DEFENDANT(S)

**DISPOSITION TYPE (CHECK ONE)**

- JURY VERDICT.** This action came before the court for a trial by jury. The issues have been tried and a verdict rendered.
- DECISION BY THE COURT.** This action came to trial or hearing before the court. The issues have been tried or heard and a decision rendered.
- ACTION DISMISSED** (*CHECK REASON*):  Rule 12(b), SCRPC;  Rule 41(a), SCRPC (Vol. Nonsuit);  Rule 43(k), SCRPC (Settled);  
 Other
- ACTION STRICKEN** (*CHECK REASON*):  Rule 40(j), SCRPC;  Bankruptcy;  
 Binding arbitration, subject to right to restore to confirm, vacate or modify arbitration award;  
 Other
- STAYED DUE TO BANKRUPTCY**
- DISPOSITION OF APPEAL TO THE CIRCUIT COURT** (*CHECK APPLICABLE BOX*):  
 Affirmed;  Reversed;  Remanded;  
 Other

NOTE: ATTORNEYS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR NOTIFYING LOWER COURT, TRIBUNAL, OR ADMINISTRATIVE AGENCY OF THE CIRCUIT COURT RULING IN THIS APPEAL.

**IT IS ORDERED AND ADJUDGED:**  See attached order (formal order to follow)  Statement of Judgment by the Court:

Plaintiff's Motion for Judgment Notwithstanding the Verdict, or Alternatively for a New Trial was heard before the Court on June 25, 2024 via WebEx. Upon review of the Motion and upon hearing oral arguments of counsel, the Court has determined that, in taking the evidence in the light most favorable to the non-moving party, there was evidence presented at trial from which the jury could reasonably conclude as they did that the Defendant was negligent but that his negligence was not a proximate cause of Plaintiff's injuries. Therefore, Plaintiff's Motion is respectfully denied.

**ORDER INFORMATION**

This order  ends  does not end the case.

See Page 2 for additional information.

**For Clerk of Court Office Use Only**

This judgment was electronically entered by the Clerk of Court as reflected on the Electronic Time Stamp, and a copy mailed first class to any party not proceeding in the Electronic Filing System on 07/09/2024 .

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**Court Reporter:**

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**Case Caption:** Graciela Rocha , plaintiff, et al VS Harold J. Murdaugh Jr

**Case Number:** 2022CP1801601

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It is so Ordered!

s/Diane S. Goodstein