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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In The Court of Appeals

Appeal From Charleston County
Court of Common Pleas

The Honorable Bently D. Price
Circuit Court Judge

Appellate Case No. 2023-001852

Athena Irland	V	Appellant
Brandy Culp		Respondent

MOTION FOR REINSTATEMENT OF APPEAL


Slotchiver & Slotchiver
Jesse Sanchez
751 Johnnie Dodds Blvd.
Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464

Athena Irland, Appellate, pro se
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Now comes Athena Irland, pro se, to respectfully move the court to reinstate her appeal. Appellant is aware of her untimely motion for an extension filed March 3, 2025 of time and is also aware it is not the first time she has requested an extension of time. With respect to the court, this is not some kind of delaying tactic or intentional disregard. Mr. Sanchez cherry picks *State v. Burton*, 356 S.C. 259, 265 n.5, 589 S.E.2d 6, 9 n.5 (2003) "A *pro se* litigant who knowingly elects to represent himself assumes full responsibility for complying with substantive and procedural requirements of the law." Whereas *Haines v Kerner* U.S. 404 U.S. 519 (1972) allows for such leeway in regard to pro se litigants. Mr. Sanchez acts as if Appellant refused counsel and chose to represent herself. Appellant can not afford counsel and has no choice but to represent herself. And not being schooled in law but trying to maintain a farm between doctor visits and medical tests, Appellant is doing her honest best to comply with the substantive and procedural requirements of the court rules.

Appellant has been under the care of two doctors (see attached letters) over the past 2 months for debilitating physical and gastrointestinal issues and continues to undergo a myriad of tests including bloodwork and MRIs and the like. Therefore, Appellant respectfully moves the court to reinstate her appeal.

Date 05/21/2025


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Date: 3/19/2025 4:19 PM
Provider: Theodore G. Gourdin, MD
Patient Name: ATHENA L. IRLAND
DOB (age): 5/8/1957 (67)

To Whom It May Concern:

Above patient is currently under the care of Dr. Gourdin. For any questions feel free to reach out to us at 843-722-8000. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Theodore G. Gourdin".

Theodore G. Gourdin, MD
Electronically signed on 3/19/2025 4:23:55 PM by Theodore G. Gourdin, MD

March 20, 2025

Athena L Irland
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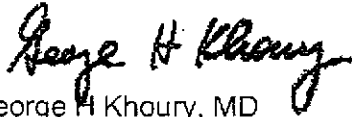
Date of Birth: **5/8/1957**
Date of Visit: **3/20/2025**

To Whom It May Concern:

Athena Irland is still under my care.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to call.

Sincerely,



George H Khoury, MD

