

# The Supreme Court of South Carolina

Howard Hammer, Appellant,

v.

Shirley Hammer, Respondent.

Appellate Case No. 2013-001652

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1634 Main, L.P., Appellant,

v.

Shirley Hammer, a/k/a Shirley Grace Hightower,  
Respondent,

v.

Howard Hammer, Appellant.

Appellate Case No. 2013-001638

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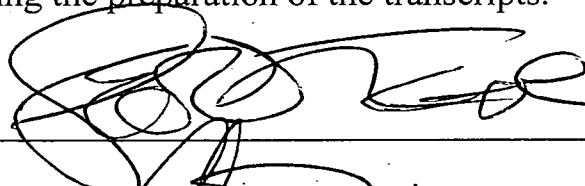
## ORDER

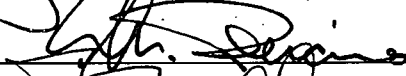
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Respondent moves for these appeals to be certified to this Court pursuant to Rule 204(b), consolidated and expedited. Appellants have not filed a return to the motion. However, appellant 1634 Main, L.P. has filed a motion to strike or dismiss the motion to certify, consolidate and expedite the appeals, or in the alternative, to file a return out of time to the motion to certify, consolidate and expedite the appeals. Respondent has filed a return in opposition to the motion to strike or dismiss.

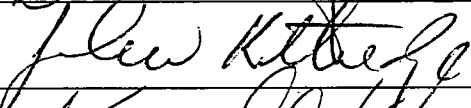
The motion to strike or dismiss, or in the alternative, for permission to file a

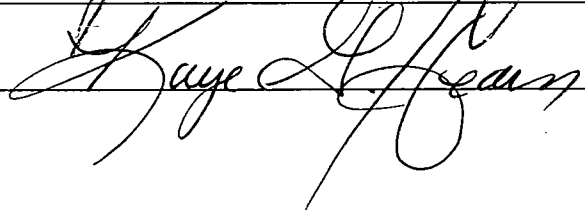
belated return, is denied. We grant the motion to certify the appeals to this Court. We also grant the motions to consolidate and expedite the appeals. However, before setting an expedited briefing schedule, we find it necessary to first remand the 1634 Main matter to the circuit court, per the motion to remand pending in the Court of Appeals, for a ruling on the pending Rule 59(e), SCRCF, motion. The appeals will be held in abeyance pending a ruling by the circuit court on the Rule 59(e) motion. The circuit court shall issue a written order on the motion by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, September 20, 2013. Any notice of appeal from the circuit court's order must be served and filed by 5:00 on Monday, September 23, 2013. Thereafter, this Court will issue an order setting forth an expedited briefing schedule, and if necessary, expediting the preparation of the transcripts.

  
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Columbia, South Carolina

September 18, 2013

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The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings

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