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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
In the Court of Appeals  
APPEAL FROM JASPER COUNTY  
Court of Common Pleas  
James A. Grimsley, Special Referee  
Appellate Case No. 2024-00039  
Trial Court Case No. 2022-CP-2700306

Nationstar Mortgage, LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper.....Respondent,

v.

Carolyn Brantley; The United States of America acting by and through its agency, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; The United States of America acting by and through its agency, the Internal Revenue Service; South Carolina Department of Revenue; and T.N.S. LTD., LLC, Defendants, Of which Carolyn Brantley is the Appellant.

NOTICE OF APPEAL

TO: The Clerk of the South Carolina Court of Appeals

AND TO: All Counsel of Record

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Carolyn Brantley, Appellant pro se, hereby appeals to the South Carolina Supreme Court from the Order of the Court of Appeals dated May 13, 2025, which dismissed her appeal purportedly for noncompliance with Rule 210 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules (SCACR).

GROUND FOR APPEAL:

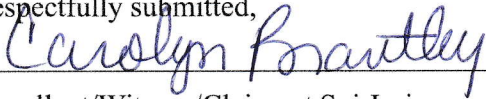
- 1. Violation of Constitutional Rights: The dismissal infringes upon Appellant's rights under the Equal Protection Clause, the Guarantee Clause, and the Supremacy Clause of the United States Constitution. The Court's decision disregards the fundamental right to due process and access to the courts.
- 2. Procedural Due Process: The Court erred by dismissing the appeal without providing a meaningful opportunity for Appellant to be heard or to correct any alleged deficiencies, contrary to the principles of procedural due process.
- 3. Misapplication of Appellate Rules: The Court's strict interpretation and application of Rule 210 SCACR failed to consider the substantive compliance and the pro se status of the Appellant, leading to an unjust dismissal.
- 4. Precedent Consideration: The Court overlooked relevant precedents, including *Sware v. Board of Examiners* and *Haines v. Kerner*, which emphasize the necessity of leniency and fairness towards pro se litigants in the interest of justice.
- 5. Trespass Against the Estate: The dismissal, based on third-party assertions without proper validation, constitutes a legal trespass against Appellant's estate and rights therein.

RELIEF SOUGHT:

Appellant respectfully requests that the South Carolina Supreme Court:

- Reverse the Order of Dismissal dated May 13, 2025.
- Reinstate the appeal for consideration on its merits.
- Grant any other relief deemed just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,



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