

# The South Carolina Court of Appeals

Dorothy Pierce, Appellant,

v.

Jerry Edwards; Edwards Group Holdings; Edwards Printing; Richard Hunt McDuff; MJM Law, LLC; Riley Morningstar; The Journal Newspaper; and Hal Welch, Respondents.

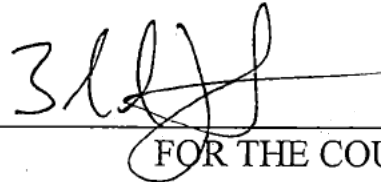
Appellate Case No. 2024-000739

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## ORDER

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On March 26, 2025, Appellant moved (1) to strike Respondents' initial brief and designation of matter, (2) for sanctions, and (3) for costs and fees.<sup>1</sup> Specifically, Appellant argued Respondents' counsel had "knowingly engag[ed] in a pattern of misrepresentation and bad faith conduct" by providing the same tracking number for two different documents—a motion in circuit court and the initial brief of Appellant in this court. No return was filed. After careful consideration, Appellant's motion to strike and for sanctions is denied, and Appellant's motion for costs and fees is denied as premature. *See* Rule 222(d), SCACR ("A party desiring costs to be taxed shall, within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of the remittitur, serve and file a motion requesting that costs be assessed under this [r]ule.").



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FOR THE COURT

Columbia, South Carolina

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<sup>1</sup> Appellant's motion does not specifically state which respondents this motion applies to; however, it appears Appellant is referring to respondents Richard Hunt McDuff and MJM Law, LLC.

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