

**THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS**

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**APPEAL FROM OCONEE COUNTY  
COURT OF COMMON PLEAS**

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**R. Lawton McIntosh, Circuit Judge**

**Appellate Case No. 2024-00739  
Common Pleas Case No. 2022-CP-3700182**

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**Dorothy Pierce,**

**Appellant,**

**v.**

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

**Respondents.**

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