

# The South Carolina Court of Appeals

Guardian Fidelity Mortgage, Inc., Respondent,

v.

Angela Elliott Masters aka Angela D. Elliott and Ricky G. Masters, II aka Ricky Gerald Masters, II, and Santander Consumer USA Inc., Defendants,

of which Angela Elliot Masters aka Angela D. Elliott and Ricky G. Masters, II aka Ricky Gerald Masters, II are the Appellants.

Appellate Case No. 2025-001089

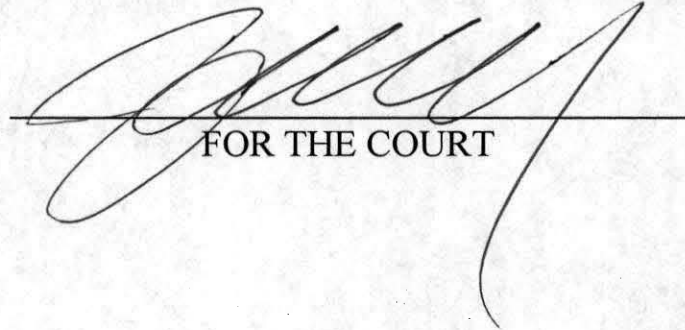
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## ORDER

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On June 3, 2025, Appellants filed a notice of appeal from a June 2, 2025 order issued by the master-in-equity denying their motion to stay a foreclosure sale. According to the order on appeal, the foreclosure sale was scheduled to occur on June 2, 2025. Also, on June 3, 2025, Appellants moved this court to stay the order on appeal. On June 6, 2025, Appellants filed an "emergency motion for stay pending appeal," in which Appellants stated the property was sold on June 2, 2025, at a foreclosure sale. After careful consideration, we dismiss this appeal as moot because the property was sold on June 2, 2025, and any judgment of this court passing on the master's order would have no effect. *See S.C. Ret. Syst. Inv. Comm'n v. Loftis*, 402 S.C. 382, 384, 741 S.E.2d 757, 758 (2013) ("A case is moot where a judgment rendered by the [c]ourt will have no practical legal effect upon an existing controversy because an intervening event renders any grant of effectual relief impossible for the [c]ourt."); *Sloan v. Dep't of Transp.*, 379 S.C. 160, 167, 666 S.E.2d 236, 240 (2008) (holding that generally, this court "will not pass on moot and academic questions or make an adjudication where there remains no actual controversy").

In light of our disposition of this appeal, we take no action on Appellants' motion to stay filed on June 3, 2025, motion to proceed *in forma pauperis* filed on June 3, 2025, motion to set aside foreclosure sale filed on June 3, 2025, emergency motion for stay filed on June 6, 2025, and second motion to proceed *in forma pauperis* filed on June 6, 2025.



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