

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
In The Court of Appeals

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APPEAL FROM CHARLESTON COUNTY  
Master-In-Equity

The Honorable Mikell R. Scarborough

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Appellate Case No. 2025-001058

Tomeka Shayron Middleton, Appellant,

v.

Frederick Fields, Anna White, Robert Fields, Jr., Juanita Pickney, Abraham Fields, Joseph Fields, Jerome Johnson, Robert Johnson, Mildred Johnson, Vanessa Johnson, Florence Singleton, Edward Givens, Delores Skipper, Phillip Johnson, Claudine Johnson, Kathleen Clement, Dean Clement, Corvetta Grant, Deedra Grant and JOHN DOE, adults, RICHARD ROE, infants, insane persons, incompetents and persons in the military service of the United States of America, being fictitious names designating as a class any unknown person or persons who may be an heir, distribute, devisee, legatee, widower, widow, assign, administrator, executor, creditor, successor, personal representative, issue or alienee of Robert Fields, Ella Walker, Jerome Johnson, Robert Johnson, Mildred Johnson, Oliver Clement and Florence Singleton all of whom are deceased, and any other or all other persons or legal entities, known and unknown, claiming any right, title, interest or estate in or lien upon the parcel of real estate described in the Lis Pendens and Complaint herein filed, Defendants,

of whom Frederick Fields, Anna White, Robert Fields, Jr., Juanita Pickney, Abraham Fields, and Joseph Fields are the Respondents.

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**MOTION TO BE RELIEVED AS APPELLANT’S COUNSEL**

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THIS MATTER COMES BEFORE THE COURT upon the motion of the undersigned, J. Chris Lanning, attorney for the Appellant, Tomeka S. Middleton, for an Order relieving him as her attorney. In support of this Motion, the undersigned would respectfully show the Court as follows:

1. That the Plaintiff filed this Appeal pro se on May 20, 2025.

2. That Mr. Lanning is not representing the Appellant in the Appeal and he has informed the Appellant of the same.

3. That the Appellant has confirmed to Mr. Lanning that he is not representing her in the Appeal. Please see Release filed in Case Number 2021-CP-10-05234 attached hereto.

The undersigned therefore respectfully requests that the Court relieve him of any further duty or obligation for representation of the Appellant in this Appeal.

Respectfully submitted on July 2, 2025.

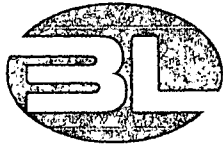
s/ J. Chris Lanning  
J. Chris Lanning (SC Bar No. 73957)  
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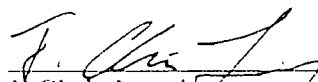
I, Tomeka S. Middleton, hired Brush Law Firm, P.A. and J. Chris Lanning as my attorney in the following lawsuit: Tomeka S. Middleton v. Frederick Fields, et al, Case Number 2021-CP-10-05234.

By my signature below, I hereby release Brush Law Firm, P.A. and J. Chris Lanning as my attorney in the above lawsuit.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Tomeka S. Middleton

Date: 5/27/25

I agree:

 5/27/25  
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**PROOF OF SERVICE**

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I certify that I served my Motion to Be Relieved of Counsel on Frederick Fields, Anna White, Robert Fields, Jr., Juanita Pickney, Abraham Fields, and Joseph Fields by e-file and depositing a copy in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, on July 2, 2025, addressed to their attorney of record, Bruce Berlinsky, One Carriage Lane, Bldg. F, Charleston, SC 29407.

s/ J. Chris Lanning  
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Dated: July 2, 2025



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Case Number: 2025-001058

Dear Clerk:

Enclosed please find a check in the amount of \$50.00 for the motion filing fee for my Motion to Be Relieved of Counsel.

Very truly yours,

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