

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

APPEAL FROM HORRY COUNTY  
ALAN D. CLEMMONS, MASTER-IN-EQUITY

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Appellate Case No. 2025-000708  
Lower Court Case No. 2023-CP-26-06121

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SC Court of Appeals

United States of America acting through the  
Rural Housing Service or successor agency,  
United States Department of Agriculture, ..... Appellant

v.

Eric M. Vaughn and South Carolina Department of Revenue, ..... Respondents

APPELLANT UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACTING THROUGH THE RURAL  
HOUSING SERVICE OR SUCCESSOR AGENCY, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT  
OF AGRICULTURE'S DESIGNATION OF MATTER

Pursuant to Rule 209, SCACR, Appellant proposes the following be included in the Record on Appeal. Unless otherwise stated, all items designated include exhibits and exclude proof of service, cover sheets, motion forms and notices. Appellant reserves the right to include additional designations.

**ORDERS**

1. Judgment of Foreclosure and Order for sale filed February 10, 2025.
2. Order Denying Motion to Reconsider, Alter or Amend filed March 12, 2025.

**PLEADINGS**

1. Lis Pendens filed October 3, 2023.
2. Summons and Complaint with exhibits filed October 3, 2023.
3. The Affidavit of Service for Eric M. Vaughn filed April 17, 2024.

4. The Answer and Consent to Reference of South Carolina Department of Revenue filed on October 18, 2023.
5. Order of Reference filed July 18, 2024.
6. Affidavit of Default as to Eric M. Vaughn filed on July 18, 2024.
7. Affidavit of Non-Military Service filed June 18, 2024.
8. Notice of Hearing and Service filed September 4, 2024.
9. Affidavit of Attorney Fees filed October 7, 2024
10. Affidavit of Debt and Authority to Testify with exhibits filed October 7, 2024.
11. Motion to Reconsider filed February 20, 2025.
12. Memorandum in Support of Motion to Reconsider filed February 20, 2025.

#### **TRANSCRIPTS**

1. Webex video file of hearing held October 8, 2024, at 11:00 a.m.
2. Audio Transcription of Hearing before Judge Alan Clemmons of hearing held October 8, 2024, at 11:00 a.m.
3. Record of Hearing and exhibits filed October 7, 2024 for October 8, 2024 hearing.

#### **OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS**

1. November 8, 2024 Correspondence from Taylor A. Peace, Esq. to the Office of the Horry County Master in Equity.
2. Horry County Master in Equity Administrative Memorandum dated February 21, 2025.

**{ATTORNEY'S SIGNATURE APPEARS ON NEXT PAGE}**

The undersigned certifies this designation contains no matter that is irrelevant to this appeal.

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United States Department of Agriculture, ..... Appellant

v.

Eric M. Vaughn and South Carolina Department of Revenue, ..... Respondents

PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served the Initial Brief of Appellant United States of America Acting through the Rural Housing Service or Successor Agency, United States Department Of Agriculture And Designation Of Matter by depositing a copy of it in the United States Mail, postage prepaid on July 23, 2025 addressed to:

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2. South Carolina Department of Revenue  
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Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced appeal please find the original Appellant's Initial Brief, Designation of Matter to be Included on Appeal and Proof of Service. A copy of these documents have been submitted for electronic filing.

By copy of this letter and as evidenced by the Proof of Service, these filings have been served upon Respondents referenced herein.

Thank you for your time and attention in this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office at the phone number below.

Sincerely,

**HARRELL, MARTIN & PEACE, P.A.**



Taylor A. Peace, Esq.

Enclosures  
Cc: Eric M. Vaughn  
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