

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
RICHLAND COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

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SC Court of Appeals

Case No.: 2024-CP-40-03931

TREMAINE D. GOLSON aka TREMAINE GOLSON and BRITTNEY
L. GREENE AKA BRITTNEY GOLSON AS APPELLANTS
Defendants/Respondents,

v.

PROFESSIONAL FINANCIAL SERVICES
Plaintiff.

RESPONSE MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO
REDUCE SUPERSEDEAS BOND

COMES NOW, Tremaine D. Golson and Brittney L. Greene, pro se
Defendants, and respectfully submit this Response Memorandum in
support of their Motion to Reduce Supersedeas Bond. This response
is grounded in equitable principles, fairness, and the intent to comply
with all necessary procedures while seeking relief from an excessive
and burdensome bond requirement.

I. BACKGROUND

A final judgment was entered against the Defendants in the above-
captioned case in the amount of \$18,950. Defendants have timely
filed a Notice of Appeal and now request a reduction of the required
supersedeas bond.

Defendants are individuals of limited financial means and respectfully
assert that the amount of the supersedeas bond creates a substantial
and undue hardship. Defendants do not intend to delay the
proceedings or evade the judgment but rather to exercise their lawful
right to appeal while preserving their ability to meet basic life
obligations.

II. ARGUMENT

South Carolina Rule of Civil Procedure 62(d) provides that an appellant may obtain a stay of judgment by posting a supersedeas bond. However, courts have discretion to reduce or waive such a bond in cases where full payment would result in manifest injustice or is not feasible due to the appellant's financial condition.

Defendants respectfully request that the Court consider the following:

1. **Equity and Clean Hands:** Defendants have acted in good faith throughout the proceedings. There has been no attempt to delay or obstruct justice.
2. **Lack of Resources:** The current financial condition of the Defendants does not allow them to post a full bond of \$18,950. Requiring the full amount would render their appeal rights effectively nullified.
3. **Preservation of Rights:** The purpose of the supersedeas bond is to protect the judgment creditor, not to penalize the judgment debtor or obstruct the appellate process. Defendants propose a reasonable reduced bond that balances both parties' interests.
4. **Equitable Relief Sought:** Defendants respectfully ask the Court to consider their willingness to enter into a payment plan or to post a reduced bond amount that does not exceed their capacity.

III. PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Defendants respectfully request that this Honorable Court:

1. Grant a reduction of the supersedeas bond;
2. Consider alternative means of securing the judgment during the pendency of the appeal;

3. Grant such other and further relief as may be just and equitable under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted this 07/30/2025

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing
Response Memorandum in Support of Motion to Reduce
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service] on this 07/30/2025

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