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SC Court of Appeals

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Attia Elbadawy and Lynne Chatlos, Appellants

v.

D.R. Horton, Inc., Respondents,

Appeal from Dorchester County

Case No. 2024-CP-18-0459

MOTION TO NOTIFY THE COURT OF IMPROPER DOCKET
ALTERATIONS

NOW COME the Appellants, Attia Elbadawy and Lynne Chatlos, pro se, and respectfully move this Court to take notice of improper alterations made by the Dorchester County Circuit Court Clerk to the status of the above-captioned case. In support of this Motion, Appellants state as follows: 1. This matter was duly appealed and is currently under the jurisdiction of the South Carolina Court of Appeals. 2. Despite the appeal being properly docketed, the Dorchester County Clerk of Court has, without authority, altered the case status on its docket from "Appeal" to "Pending." 3. This improper alteration has now occurred on two separate occasions. 4. Once an appeal is perfected, the lower court loses jurisdiction over the matter except for collateral issues, and it has no authority to alter the case status or otherwise interfere with the jurisdiction of this Court. 5. These actions create confusion in the record and prejudice Appellants by suggesting that jurisdiction remains with the Circuit Court when it does not.

WHEREFORE, Appellants respectfully request that this Court:

- a. Take notice of the improper docket alterations by Dorchester County;
- b. Direct the lower court and Clerk of Court to refrain from altering the status of this case while under appellate jurisdiction; and
- c. Grant such other relief as this Court deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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