

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )  
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 COUNTY OF SALUDA )  
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 JAN H. BRYAN, )  
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 Plaintiff, )  
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 vs. )  
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 SALUDA COUNTY, SALUDA COUNTY )  
 COUNCIL, DONALD E. HANCOCK IN )  
 HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS )  
 CHAIRMAN OF SALUDA COUNTY )  
 COUNCIL, RHONDA W. BROWNING, )  
 AND FIRST COMMUNITY BANK, )  
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 Defendants. )  
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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS  
 Civil Action No: 2021-CP-41-00032

**ORDER GRANTING MOTIONS TO  
 RECONSIDER IN PART AND DENYING IN  
 PART**



This matter came before this Court on Plaintiff’s Motion to Alter or Amend filed on April 10, 2025, pursuant to Rule 59(e) and Rule 52, SCRCF, in response to this Court’s findings arising from its Order entered on April 2, 2025. Specifically, Plaintiff asserted fourteen (14) grounds for relief seeking this Court to alter or amend its findings of fact, conclusions of law and judgment entered on April 2, 2025.

Defendant Browning also filed a Rule 59(e) Motion to Alter or Amend on April 14, 2025. Specifically, Defendant Browning asserted several grounds for relief seeking this Court to alter or amend its findings of fact, conclusions of law and judgment entered on April 2, 2025. Of particular importance, Defendant Browning asks the court to provide a ruling addressing her counterclaim for quiet title.

Defendant Browning filed a Response in opposition to Plaintiff’s Motion on April 21, 2025 wherein Defendant Browning addressed Plaintiff’s asserted grounds for relief. Defendant Saluda

County filed a response on April 21, 2025 wherein Defendant Saluda County opposed Plaintiff's Motion.

For the purpose of clarification as to the top line of Page 7 or the Order is amended as follows: "This Court also heard testimony regarding Plaintiff's chain of title." For further clarification as to Page 8, on the last line of the third paragraph, "Browning then closed" is removed to alleviate confusion of what appears to be a scrivener's error.

Further, the April 2, 2025 Order does not provide a ruling on Defendant Browning's counter claim for Quiet Title. This court holds that Defendant Browning is declared to own fee simple title to the .72-acre tract conveyed to her in 2007, shown on the Weed, Cox & Dinkins, and Whetstone Plats.

After careful consideration of the record in this case and the submissions of counsel, this Court is unable to discover any additional material facts or principles of law that have been overlooked or disregarded and further finds no additional error of law or facts not appropriately considered.

Accordingly, this Court hereby GRANTS IN PART AND DENIES IN PART Plaintiff's Motion to Alter or Amend, pursuant to Rule 59(e) and Rule 52, SCRCF, this Court's Order entered on or about April 2, 2025. Further, Defendant Browning's Motion is GRANTED to the extent previously noted above. Pursuant to Rule 59(f), the Court is of the opinion that oral argument is not necessary.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

[JUDICIAL E-SIGNATURE PAGE TO FOLLOW]



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It Is So Ordered

s/ Walton J. McLeod