

The South Carolina Court of Appeals

Enoree Fork Baptist Church, Plaintiff,

v.

Sylvester Jackson, Stepping-Stone Ministries, Inc.,
William M. Landreth, Landreth Properties, LLC, Cordell
Porter, Donald Cox Ernest Murray, CresCom
Bank/Formerly Greer State Bank, and Rodney Butler,
Defendants,

AND

Sylvester Jackson, Karen Robinson, Michael Robinson,
Dorothy Williams, John Woodfold, Ernest "Terry"
Murray, Donald Cox, Timothy McBee, Derrick Cox,
Reginald Jackson, Willie Foster, Cynthia Robinson,
Zelma Brown, Telek Cobb, Sarah Thomason, and
Thurshia Jamison-Jackson, Respondents,

v.

Charles "Bennie" Smith, Robin Smith, Larry Dawkins,
Mable Dawkins, Jimmy Davis, Brenda Davis, Dorothy
Thomason, L.C. Thomason, and James Sims, Appellants.

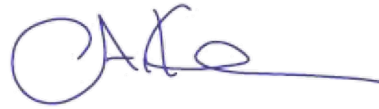
Appellate Case No. 2025-001623

ORDER

On August 14, 2025, Appellants filed their notice of appeal, a motion to stay, and a petition for a writ of supersedeas. The relief requested in the motion to stay and petition for a writ of supersedeas is to stay enforcement of the circuit court's July 31, 2025 order. Respondents filed a return, opposing the requested relief or in the alternative to stay only the Enoree Fork Baptist Church congregation's vote. After

careful consideration, we grant the motion to stay and the petition for a writ of supersedeas and stay the July 31, 2025 order during the pendency of the appeal.

Also on August 14, 2025, Enoree Fork Baptist Church filed a "Motion for Notice of Appearance and Limited Representation for Non-Party Church Entity." At this time, we take no action on this motion. However, we order Respondents to serve and file a return to the motion within ten days of the date of this order. Thereafter, a reply shall be served and filed within five days of receipt of the return. The court will consider the "Motion for Notice of Appearance and Limited Representation for Non-Party Church Entity" upon receipt of the requested return and reply.



FOR THE COURT

Columbia, South Carolina

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