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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM NEWBERRY COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas
The Honorable J. Mark Hayes, II, Circuit Court Judge

Case Nos. 2018-CP-36-00089 and 2019-CP-36-00245

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2025-000497

Lisa Summer Rice and Joseph R. Rice, Appellants

vs.

Newberry Lions Club and Betty S. Amick as Personal
Representative of the Estate of C. Ray Amick, Respondents,

AND

A. Murray Gray, Claude H. Schumpert, and Melissa B. Schumpert Appellants,

vs.

Betty S. Amick, as Personal Representative of the Estate of
C. Ray Amick, and Cheryl Littlejohn, Respondents.

**MOTION TO BE RELIEVED AS COUNSEL FOR RESPONDENT
BETTY S. AMICK, AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
OF THE ESTATE OF C. RAY AMICK**

The undersigned counsel for Respondent Betty S. Amick, as Personal Representative of the Estate of C. Ray Amick (“Respondent Amick”), hereby moves the Court for an order relieving Demetri K. Koutrakos, Esquire and Harry A. Dixon, Esquire as counsel for Respondent Amick only in this Appellate Case No. 2025-000497.

Respondent Amick submits that the granting of this Motion will not prejudice Appellants or Respondent Cheryl Littlejohn and that Sowell & Durant, LLC remains as counsel for Respondent Amick in this appeal.

Respectfully submitted,

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that, on this date, the **Motion to be Relieved as Counsel for Respondent Betty S. Amick, as Personal Representative of the Estate of C. Ray Amick** was served upon counsel of record via AIS email, pursuant to Supreme Court Order dated March 20, 2020, as amended, as follows:

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I further certify that all parties required by Rule to be served have been served.

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RE: Lisa Summer Rice, *et al* vs. Newberry Lions Club, *et al.*
Appellate Case No. 2025-000497

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Enclosed herewith please find a Motion to be Relieved as Counsel for Respondent Betty S. Amick, as Personal Representative of the Estate of C. Ray Amick, together with a Proof of Service, in the above-referenced matter. Kindly file the same and return a clocked-in copy of each to the undersigned via return email. This firm’s check in the amount of \$50 in payment of the required fee will be delivered to your office.

The enclosed documents have been served upon counsel of record today via email as indicated in the Proof of Service.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions. Thank you.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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s/ Demetri “Jim” K. Koutrakos

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