

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In The Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM SPARTANBURG COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas

J. Mark Hayes, II, Circuit Court Judge

Case No. 2017-CP-42-00219
Appellate Case No. 2024-001546

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Jo Ann Blackwell, Michelene Brooks, and Samuel H. Owens, Jr., individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Respondents,

v.

Mary Black Health System, LLC, d/b/a Mary Black Memorial Hospital; CHSPSC, LLC;
Professional Account Services, Inc.,

Appellants,

APPELLANTS' STATUS REPORT

Appellants Mary Black Health System, LLC, d/b/a Mary Black Memorial Hospital; CHSPSC, LLC; and Professional Account Services, Inc. (collectively, "Appellants") submit this status update in compliance with the Court's Order (filed January 14, 2025) granting Appellants' motion to hold this appeal in abeyance until a final decision is issued in the related appeal, Appellate Case No. 2020-001613 (the "First Appeal") and the Court's Letter, dated July 18, 2025, confirming the stay of the case and requesting status updates every sixty (60) days.

On January 27, 2025, the Court denied Appellants' Petition for Rehearing in the First Appeal. Appellants timely filed a Petition for a Writ of Certiorari with the South Carolina Supreme Court. The Supreme Court issued an order granting Appellants' Petition for Writ of Certiorari on June 25, 2025. The parties completed the briefing process on September 25, 2025, and oral

argument in the First Appeal is scheduled to be held before the Supreme Court on Tuesday, November 18, 2025.

As the First Appeal remains ongoing, Appellants will provide the Court with another status update within the next sixty (60) days in compliance with the Court's January 14, 2025, Order holding this appeal in abeyance.

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The undersigned hereby certifies that on October 20, 2025, a copy of **Appellants' Status Report** was served on all counsel of record via email containing the above referenced document to counsels' individual AIS email addresses as follows:

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