

O Stanley Smith, III et al  
PLAINTIFF(S)

City Of Columbia  
DEFENDANT(S)

**DISPOSITION TYPE (CHECK ONE)**

- JURY VERDICT.** This action came before the court for a trial by jury. The issues have been tried and a verdict rendered.
- DECISION BY THE COURT.** This action came to trial or hearing before the court. The issues have been tried or heard and a decision rendered.
- ACTION DISMISSED (*CHECK REASON*):**  Rule 12(b), SCRPC;  Rule 41(a), SCRPC (Vol. Nonsuit);  Rule 43(k), SCRPC (Settled);  
 Other
- ACTION STRICKEN (*CHECK REASON*):**  Rule 40(j), SCRPC;  Bankruptcy;  
 Binding arbitration, subject to right to restore to confirm, vacate or modify arbitration award;  
 Other
- STAYED DUE TO BANKRUPTCY**
- DISPOSITION OF APPEAL TO THE CIRCUIT COURT (*CHECK APPLICABLE BOX*):**  
 Affirmed;  Reversed;  Remanded;  
 Other

NOTE: ATTORNEYS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR NOTIFYING LOWER COURT, TRIBUNAL, OR ADMINISTRATIVE AGENCY OF THE CIRCUIT COURT RULING IN THIS APPEAL.

**IT IS ORDERED AND ADJUDGED:**  See attached order (formal order to follow)  Statement of Judgment by the Court:

This matter was before the Court upon the Defendant's Motion for Amendment of Judgment as a Matter of Law or, in the Alternative, for a New Trial Absolute or, in the Alternative, for Remittitur of Verdict made pursuant to SCRPC 52(b) and 59(a), filed with the Court on August 7, 2025. The Plaintiffs filed a Response on August 19, 2025, and the Defendant thereafter filed a Reply on September 26, 2025.

The Court acknowledges and appreciates the amount of research and preparation by counsel, as well as the professionalism of the parties in their filings and presentations to the Court. After consideration of the filings, arguments made, and the applicable law, the Court finds that the Defendant's Motion for Amendment of Judgment as a Matter of Law or, in the Alternative, for a New Trial Absolute or, in the Alternative, for Remittitur of Verdict should be and is therefore denied.

**ORDER INFORMATION**

This order  ends  does not end the case.  See Page 2 for additional information.

**For Clerk of Court Office Use Only**

This judgment was electronically entered by the Clerk of Court as reflected on the Electronic Time Stamp, and a copy mailed first class to any party not proceeding in the Electronic Filing System on 10/06/2025 .

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**SC Court of Appeals**

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**Court Reporter:**

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So Ordered

s/ R.E. Hood #2164