

The South Carolina Court of Appeals

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In The Court of Appeals

Joe L. Adams, Jr., Appellant,

v.

Betty Ogbuneke, Respondent,

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SC Court of Appeals

In the Matter of Joe L. Adams, Sr.
Appellate Case No. 2022-000357

Appeal From York County
William A. McKinnon, Circuit Court Judge
Unpublished Opinion No. 2025-UP-366

Submitted October 23, 2025 – Filed November 5, 2025

Petition / Motion To
Submit New Supporting Evidence and Event
“Secret Filings”

To the South Carolina Court of Appeals,

I am submitting this Petition/Motion containing important evidence and asking for the Appeals court to accept and review this Newly Discovered Unknown Supporting Evidence that was discovered on December 20, 2025. The evidence is significant for the Appeals Court to Consider as it is directly connected to the case and I had no way until yesterday to know anything was amiss. I am hoping im not too late and that the court will accept and consider this petition as supporting

additional important evidence. I am asking for this newly found evidence and discovery to be considered in support of my Petition for Rehearing to ask for a reconsideration of the opinion that was sent on November 5, 2025..

One Day ago I was notified by the defendants attorney that on November 5, 2025 they submitted documentation to the York County Probate Court petitioning the court to sell the property that the question of **Personal Representative** is based on which is the core of the Appeal. Mrs Ogbuneke did not wait for the order and did not wait for me to petition for rehearing but filed the petition to the York County Probate Court for sale of the property outside of my right to ask for rehearing and rehearing en banc.. I am asking for permission to submit this evidence of further abuse to support my position on why Mrs. Ogbuneke should not be allowed to be sole Executor of the Estate and there needs to be Coexecutors or Dual Personal Representatives which will provide transparency of all activities.

The Notification or Petition to Sell the Property was filed on November 5, 2025 the same day of the Appeals Decision. But I received the email from the defense attorney office regarding the sell of the property on December 20, 2025. The email was sent by the defense attorney on December 17, 2025. I don't know why the defendant would submit the documentation to sell the property but I don't agree.. This action represents the very uncertainty that I have and reservations about Mrs. Ogbuneke being sole Personal Representative of the estate.. It is very unethical and underhanded to secretly file to sell the property without mentioning anything to me or try to see what my thought were.. She did this in my opinion just because I am appealing her being personal representative.. But this is a repeated behavior that is the reason why she should not be in control of the estate but we both need to have signing requirements so there is no underhanded "in secret" filing and selling without me knowing anything.. This is the second or third time she has gone to the Probate Court in secret and file without at least taking time to at least inform me or ask me if I was interested in selling the property or if we can find some common ground.. By the time I found out anything the submission is now over a month old.

If the court would look at the preparation of the document from her attorney that the time stamp is an in person delivery stamp. I have signed up with the Probate office of York County for email notification, to be notified if there are any documents or motions and no email or mail or notification of any type was sent.. It is December 21st and I worry that because Cyrus Corbett is also a magistrate judge that he has some connection to the Court of Appeals and is only serving me the paperwork now because he may assume or know the appeals court may or may not grant my motion for rehearing..

I have to say to the court that I feel this was an “underhanded move” and the service is over a month (45 days) after the documentation was submitted to the York County Probate court.. Mrs Ogbuneke’s attorney stated that because of my appeals that Mrs Ogbuneke feels that I don’t want her to have her inheritance but that is not the case.. It has been more than 14 years since Mrs. Ogbuneke abandoned this estate and has not visited other than a ride by. To me his statements are very untrue as Mrs Ogbuneke acts like she does not want her own inheritance as she has been absent for more than 14 years not contributing anything to the upkeep or to pay any taxes or anything.. not even a visit. I am concerned that Mrs. Ogbuneke may not be thinking clearly as we have been restricted by Judge Corbett from speaking or meeting in any form as I have requested a meeting but he still ignores my request and stands in the way of any conversation. This to me has prejudiced the Probate court and I feel the entry should not be allowed while we are waiting to hear from the Court of Appeals. Please see the dates of the time stamp and all the documentation they have compiled and never said a single word to me.. This is why it is very important and crucial that the Appeals Court overturn this ruling as this action proves the abuse and is an example of what I have been complaining about that has led to my not wanting Mrs. Ogbuneke to be sole Executor or Personal Representative.. I have no interest in selling the property and was in hopes that we would be able to move on but now this has happened all because she is obsessed with control and greed..

Mrs. Ogbuneke also “**falsified the application for personal representative**” and entered among other false entries that there were “**No Interested Parties**” so she could become personal representative P16-27 of transcript and did not adhere to the court instructions.. It would bring great peace to the estate if we are both dual Personal Representatives in that she will not be able to sell the property in secret or take out loans without my knowledge and by the time I find out anything its too late.. This last move by Mrs Ogbuneke and Judge Corbett are proof of her intentions to sell and still not accept any responsibility of the estate.. I have paid all the taxes and supported this estate financially for more than 21 years. She did not have what she considered “Personal Representation Authority” for 24 hrs before she moved to sell all the property.. I did get emails from Judge Corbett yesterday and he mentioned that she felt I didn’t want her to have her inheritance but that is very untrue.. I don’t want to take away her inheritance but I also don’t want to be a “**sitting duck**” while she continues to ignore that I even exist. She ignores me as if I have not been paying all the taxes and keeping the estate and never feels any responsibility to notify me of anything which is a dangerous position for me to be in as I can lose everything I have worked for.

I have paid more than \$21,000.00 by myself with no help from Mrs Ogbuneke in **property taxes** and have maintained this property for many years with multiple expenses and sweat alone with no help or visits or calls from Mrs Ogbuneke. New Roofs, New Furnace and many other repairs and purchases I have solely paid for to keep up everything for our Adams family estate. The estimates that they are submitting to the court are due to my hard work and labor as Mrs Ogbuneke has never even offered to help with the grass or maintenance at all in all these years... It is not ethical to be undercut or do things that are nefarious using the Probate Court while hiding the activity and I a sitting duck not being aware or notified of anything until it too late and I am in a emergency reative position all the time.. We could have at least had a conversation in the last few years but she wants to catch me off guard all the time.. That is why the dual Personal Representative needs to be awarded just like my father wanted the Dual Power of Attorney. He signed that power of attorney

paperwork after we were grown adults and not children like when the will was signed.. He wanted us to work together to maintain the estate.. I would honestly be glad to have family around during the holidays and we all have the same focus of our home.. I was wondering if she would show up during the Christmas Holiday not knowing until yesterday that she submitted an application to sell the property right from under me. All of this was happening since November 5, 2025 and not even the York County Probate Court notified me of any summons petition or any legal activity.

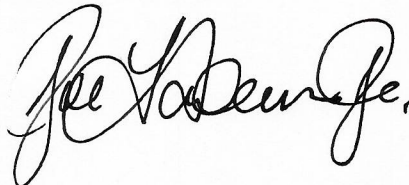
I have requested to be notified through the clerks office originally during the onset of the case but because Judge Corbett is well known and has a lot of connections in the Probate Office I got no notifications and everything was secret.. He said he was required to serve me but more than a month late is lot of time. So this kind of secret activity could go unnoticed if she is allowed to be the sole Personal Representative.. She has paid no taxes and has committed Credit Card Fraud and I just feel that the best is to have the dual just like my father insisted on having Dual Power Of Attorney which I submitted in my petition for rehearing. I feel abused and that my rights are being violated. I don't want to sell this property and have kept it because my father and I have always been focused on the survival of everything my father and grandfather have done.. Mrs Ogbuneke lives in North Carolina and has not tried to contact me after all my text messages and phone messages to her phone.. I am not interested in selling this property and feel that the only reason Mrs. Ogbuneke is looking to sell is because she has a problem sharing.. She does not want to be agreeable because she wants to be in control so she could sell the property right out from under me without notice.. This is why I am submitted this documentation because the behavior is shown by the way they completed this extensive submittal to the Probate Court before I could ask for a rehearing..

I personally feel that if Judge Corbett was not influencing Mrs Ogbuneke and preventing any communication between us that it prevents us from work things out as a family.. He said he thought I didn't want my sister to have her inheritance.. no that is not the case at all... I have said several times in my pleadings I didn't want her to be the sole Personal Representative and this kind of behavior and disregard of

me is why. I just don't want to be caught off guard and lose everything because she sold it without my knowing anything just like they petitioned the York Count Probate Office without my knowing anything..

Mrs. Ogbuneke falsified the application for Personal Representative and submitted it in secret as well and by the time I knew anything it was done.. Just like she appeared in the driveway without notice outside disregarding Judge Woodruffs order with several cars of police in surprise to me and my neighbors taking pictures of my things and Judge Woodruff had to stop her because she never told her to take any pictures and she was supposed to give me 48hrs notice but she didn't and lied to the police.. It is very hard to finally be at peace when Mrs Ogbuneke and Judge Corbett are submitting petitions in secret and the Probate Court is not notifying me.. I am sending this information to the Court of Appeals in support of my motion for Rehearing and Rehearing En Banc to be granted in light of these latest unannounced unexpected events that I had no idea were transpiring. I sincerely pray that the decision is reversed or overturned.

Thank You,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe L. Adams Jr.", written in a cursive style.

Joe L. Adams Jr. 12/21/2025

Subject Re: Adams
From <technicalspecialist2012@yahoo.com>
To: Cyrus Corbett
<cyrus@corlawsc.com>, Court Of
Appeals Filings
<ctappfilings@sccourts.org>
Cc: Ann Shirley <ann@corlawsc.com>
Date Today at 4:14 PM

So why is she trying to sell the property? I don't see a reason after all this time she has never even tried to speak with me or see what it's like to share responsibility. I'm not interested in selling.. but I am interested in speaking directly to her to see if she is in her right mind? This is really outside what I think she would try.. why did you wait so long to serve me the papers? It was filed November the 5th? It's December 20th at this point..

Joe

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

On Saturday, December 20, 2025, 4:11 PM, Cyrus Corbett
<cyrus@corlawsc.com> wrote:

Joe, we filed this before you filed your request for a rehearing. It's required that we give you service. If the court of

appeals has not made a decision, we will continue the hearing.

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From:

technicalspecialist2012@yahoo.com
<technicalspecialist2012@yahoo.com>

Sent: Saturday, December 20, 2025
3:58:14 PM

To: Court Of Appeals Filings
<ctappfilings@sccourts.org>

Cc: Cyrus Corbett
<cyrus@corlawsc.com>; Ann Shirley
<ann@corlawsc.com>

Subject: Fw: Adams

Hello Court of appeals,
Please see the below forwarded information. I submitted a request for rehearing to the court. I am not sure why they are telling judge woodruff that no appeal was filed. Please let me know the status of my motion for rehearing and rehearing en banc.

Thank You,

Joe Adams

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

SC 29706

Physical Address: 813 Davis Drive,
Chester SC 29706

Phone: 803-818-2007

-----Original Message-----

From:

Scanner@modernimpressions.com

<Scanner@modernimpressions.com>

Sent: Wednesday, December 17, 2025

2:30 PM

To: Ann Shirley <ann@corlawsc.com>

Subject: Adams

This E-mail was sent from

"RNP583879271873" (IM C3500).

Scan Date: 12.17.2025 15:11:22 (-0500)

Queries to:

Scanner@modernimpressions.com

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On Saturday, December 20, 2025, 3:55 PM,
technicalspecialist2012@yahoo.com
wrote:

Hello Mrs Shirley,
I submitted an appeal to appeal court in
Columbia.. it is on record for rehearing. I
am not interested in selling any property.

Thank You,

Joe Adams

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

On Wednesday, December 17, 2025,
2:45 PM, Ann Shirley
<ann@corlawsc.com> wrote:

Mr. Adams,

Please find attached the filed copy of
the Petition for Sale of Real Property
filed on behalf of Betty Ogbuneke which
is hereby served upon you. Please
confirm receipt of this email. A hard
copy will follow via US Mail.

Ann C. Shirley, Paralegal

Mailing Address: PO Box 1038, Chester

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF YORK

IN THE MATTER OF:

JOE LOUIS ADAMS, SR.

Decedent Alleged Incapacitated Individual
 Minor Other: _____

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Betty Ogbunke, individually and as Personal Representative for the Estate of Joe Louis Adams, Sr.,
Petitioner(s),
vs.

CAROLYN E. WOODRUFF
JUDGE OF PROBATE
YORK COUNTY, SC

IN THE PROBATE COURT

CASE NUMBER 2021-ES-46- 00777

SUMMONS

Joe Louis Adams, Jr.,
Respondent(s).*

*For Guardianship/Conservatorship matters, you must include the alleged incapacitated individual as a Respondent.

TO THE RESPONDENT(S) LISTED ABOVE:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to Answer the Petition in this action, a copy of which is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your Answer upon the Petitioner(s) listed above at the following address(es):

Please Type or Print.

Cyrus Corbett

(Name of Petitioner/Attorney for Petitioner)

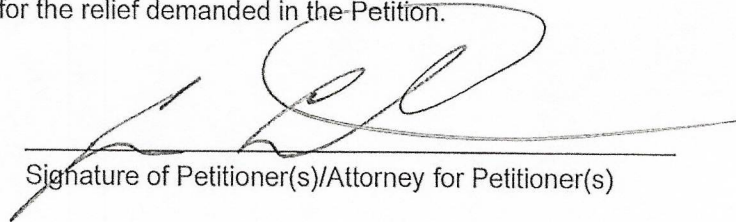
P.O. Box 1038/ 813 Davis Dr.

(Street Address or Mailing Address)

Chester, SC 29706

(City, State, and Zip Code)

Your Answer must be served on the Petitioner at the above address within **thirty (30) days** after the service of this Summons and Petition upon you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the Petition within that time, judgment by default will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Petition.



Signature of Petitioner(s)/Attorney for Petitioner(s)

Date: 12/1/2025

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

IN THE PROBATE COURT

COUNTY OF: YORK)

IN THE MATTER OF:
JOE LOUIS ADAMS, SR.
(Decedent)

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BETTY OGBUNEKE, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE
OF JOE LOUIS ADAMS, SR.

CAROLYN E. WOODRUFF
JUDGE OF PROBATE
YORK COUNTY, SC

Petitioner(s)

vs.

*PETITION FOR SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

JOE LOUIS ADAMS, JR.

Respondent(s)

Petitioner alleges the following:

1. Interested parties to the estate that would be affected by the sale of the real property are as follows:

A. The names and addresses of the devisees in the Will, if any, and the dates of birth of any minors:

Name	Year of Birth	Address	Relationship to Decedent
BETTY LAVERNE OGBUNEKE		6218 IDLEBROOK DR. CHARLOTTE, NC 28212	DAUGHTER
JOE LOUIS ADAMS, JR.		721 OGDEN RD. ROCK HILL, SC 29730	SON

(use additional sheet if necessary)

B. If the Decedent died intestate (without a Will) or if the time to challenge the Decedent's Will admitted to probate has not expired, then the names and addresses of intestate heirs who are not devisees, if any, and the dates of birth of any minors:

Name	Year of Birth	Address	Relationship to Decedent

(use additional sheet if necessary)

C. The names and addresses of all Creditors who have properly presented a claim(s) against the estate which remain(s) unresolved:

Name	Address
BETTY OGBUNEKE	6218 IDLEBROOK DR. CHARLOTTE, NC 28212
JOE LOUIS ADAMS, JR.	721 OGDEN RD. ROCK HILL, SC 29730

(use additional sheet if necessary)

***NOTE: THIS IS A FORMAL PROCEEDING. IN ADDITION TO A PETITION, YOU MUST ALSO FILE A SUMMONS (FORM SCCA 401PC), PAY THE STATUTORY FILING FEE OF \$150.00, AND FILE A CLOCKED COPY OF THE LIS PENDENS. A HEARING IN THE PROBATE COURT ON THE PETITION MAY BE REQUIRED.**
D. The names and addresses of any other interested persons affected by this proceeding (including co-owners of real estate):

Name	Year of Birth	Address	Relationship to Decedent


(use additional sheet if necessary)


E. The name(s) and address(es) of the Personal Representative(s) of the estate (if not the Petitioner):

Name	Address

2. The real property needs to be sold because: THERE IS NO LIQUID VALUE IN THE ESTATE TO SEPARATE BETWEEN THE PARTIES AND CO-OWNERSHIP WOULD BE AGAINST THE BEST INTEREST OF THE HEIRS.
3. The real property of the Decedent's estate, which the Petitioner desires to sell, is described as follows:
 - a. Address: SEE LIST OF PROPERTIES
 - b. Legal Description: (The Decedent's deed may be required by the Court) SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT B
 - c. Tax Map Sheet Number (TMS#) / Deed Book and Page: PLEASE REFER TO ATTACHED LIST OF PROPERTIES
4. The tax assessed value of the real property is: \$298,900.00. This value is based upon the most recent assessor's statement. The assessor's statement may be required by the Court.
5. The fair market value of the real property is: \$1,182,600.00 BASED ON REALTOR.COM. This value is based upon the opinion of a real estate agent based upon a comparative market analysis or the opinion of a real estate appraiser based upon an appraisal. The comparative market analysis or the appraisal may be required by the Court.

Executed this 05 day of NOVEMBER, 2025.

Signature: 
 Print Name: BETTY OGBUNIKE
 Address: 6218 IDLEBROOK DR.
CHARLOTTE, NC 28212
 Telephone (Work): _____
 (Home): _____
 (Cell): 704-562-3564
 Email: _____
 Relationship to Decedent/Estate: _____



Attorney: CYRUS CORBETT

Address: P.O. BOX 1038

CHESTER, SC 29706

Telephone: 803-818-2007

Email: CYRUS@CORLAWSC.COM OR ANN@CORLAWSC.COM

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)	IN THE PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF YORK)	FOR THE SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
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In the matter of:)	FILED RECEIVED
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Decedent,)	CAROLYN E. WOODRUFF
)	JUDGE OF PROBATE
Betty Ogbuneka, individually and)	YORK COUNTY, SC
As Personal Representative for the)	
Estate of Joe Louis Adams, Sr.)	
)	
)	LIS PENDENS
Petitioner,)	
Vs.)	
)	
Joe Louis Adams, Jr.)	
)	
)	
Respondent.)	

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Petitioner has filed a Petition to Sale Real Property the within described property in the Probate Court for York County where the estate of the Decedent has been filed in Case No. 2021-ES-46-00777.

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land, lying on the Southern side of Ogden Road, in the City of Rock Hill, Catawba Township, County of York, State of South Carolina, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a stake on the Southern side of Ogden Road and 245.4 feet East of Orr Drive, running thence S. 28-38 E. 150 feet to a stake; thence S. 57-56 W. 15 feet to a stake; thence S. 62-32 W. 115.5 feet to a stake; thence N. 40-03 W. 151.3 feet to a stake on Ogden Road; thence in an Easterly direction with the curve of Ogden Road 184.1 feet to the beginning, being shown and designated as Lots Nos. 100,101 and 102 on Map of Sunset Park Extension, property of J. Edward Marshall, Jr., Trustee, prepared by White and Marrett on February 19, 1947.

All that certain lot of land located on the Southeastern side of Ogden Road, in the City of Rock Hill, South Carolina, being more particularly described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a stake on the Southeastern side of Ogden Road, inner line of sidewalk, 61.3 feet northeast of the intersection of Ogden Road and Orr Drive; thence S. 30-27 W. 61.3 feet to a stake; thence with Orr Drive S 47-07 E 150 feet to a stake; thence N. 62-32 E. 4305 feet to a stake; thence N. 40-03 W. 151.3 feet to the beginning, being shown and designated as Lot No. 103 of aforesaid plat; also

All that certain lot of land located on the Northeastern side of Orr Drive in the City of Rock Hill, South Carolina, being more particularly described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a stake on the Northeastern

side of Orr Dr. inner line of sidewalk, 150 feet southeast of the intersection of Orr Drive and Ogden Road; thence N. 62-32 E. 159.1 feet to a stake; thence S. 42-53 W. 150 feet to a stake; thence with Orr Drive N. 47-07 W. 53.4 feet to the beginning, being shown and designated as Lot No. 104 on aforesaid plat; also

All that certain lot of land located in the Northeastern side of Orr Drive, in the City of Rock Hill, South Carolina, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a stake on the Northeastern side of Orr Drive, inner line of sidewalk, 203.4 feet southeast of the intersection of Orr Drive and Ogden Road; thence N. 42-53 E. 150 feet to a stake; thence S. 47-07 E. 50 feet to a stake; thence S. 42-53 W. 150 feet to a stake, thence with Orr Drive N. 47-07 W. 50 feet to the beginning, being shown and designated as Lot No. 105 on aforesaid plat; also,

All that certain lot of land located on the Northeastern side of Orr Drive in the City of Rock Hill, South Carolina, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a stake on the Northeastern side of Orr Drive, inner line of sidewalk, 253.4 feet southeast of the intersection of Orr Dr. and Ogden Road; thence N. 42-53 E. 150 feet to a stake, thence S. 47-07 E 50 feet to a stake; thence S. 42-53 W. 150 feet to a stake; thence with Orr Drive N. 47-07 W. 50 feet to the beginning, being shown and designated as Lot No. 106 on aforesaid plat.

Being the identical property conveyed to Joe Louis Adams, a/k/a Joe Louis Adams, Sr. by deed of John Adams dated May 14, 1969 and recorded May 15, 1969 in Deed Book 389 at Page 472.

All recording references being made to the Office of the Clerk of Court for York County, South Carolina.

Address of Property: 717 Ogden Rd. Rock Hill, SC

721 Ogden Rd. Rock Hill, SC

731 Ogden Rd. Rock Hill, SC

366 Orr Dr. Rock Hill, SC

362 Orr Dr. Rock Hill, SC

370 Orr Dr. Rock Hill, SC

727 Ogden Road, Rock Hill, SC

Tax Map No.: 6002201019, 6002201020, 6002201021; 6002201022; 6002201023; 6002201025 and 6002201024;

All recording references being to the office of the Clerk of Court for York County, SC, unless otherwise specified.

November 5, 2025

Chester, South Carolina

s/ Cyrus Corbett SC Bar #103156

Cyrus Corbett, Attorney At Law, LLC

813 Davis Dr., Po Box 1038

Chester, SC 29706

Phone: 803-818-2007
Attorney for Petitioner

Item #	Description	% owned by Decedent	Tax Value	Fair Market value (realtor.com)	Value of Decedent's interest
1	717 Ogden Road TMS# 6002201019	100	\$17,500.00	\$166700	\$166,700.00
2	721 Ogden Road TMS 6002201020	100	\$151,400.00	\$233,700.00	\$233,700.00
3	731 Ogden Road TMS 6002201022	100	\$35,000.00	Est. \$100,000.00	\$100,000.00
4	366 Orr Dr. TMS # 6002201024	100	\$35,000.00	\$177,000.00	\$177,000.00
5.	362 Orr Dr. TMS # 6002201025	100	\$20,000.00	\$158,700.00	\$158,700.00
6.	370 Orr Dr. TMS # 6002201023	100	\$20,000.00	\$168,500.00	\$168,500.00
7	727 Ogden Rd TMS # 6002201021	100	\$20,000.00	\$178,000.00	\$178,000.00

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**THIS OPINION HAS NO PRECEDENTIAL VALUE. IT SHOULD NOT BE
CITED OR RELIED ON AS PRECEDENT IN ANY PROCEEDING
EXCEPT AS PROVIDED BY RULE 268(d)(2), SCACR.**

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AFFIRMED

Joe L. Adams, Jr., pro se, of Rock Hill.

William Cyrus Corbett, of Cyrus Corbett, Attorney at
Law LLC, of Chester, for Respondent.

PER CURIAM: Joe L. Adams, Jr., appeals the circuit court's dismissal of his appeal from a probate court order which directed a verdict in favor of Betty Ogbuneke, the personal representative of the Estate of Joe L. Adams, Sr., on Adams's application for restraint and performance of the personal representative.

Adams raised fourteen issues on appeal. He argues (1) the circuit and probate courts erred in failing to make complete findings of fact in violation of Rule 52(a) of the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure, (2) the circuit court erred in failing to make "additional" findings of fact after Adams told the circuit court he did not have the opportunity to testify before the probate court, (3) the circuit court erred when it failed to remove Ogbunke as personal representative of the estate or assign co-personal representative rights to Adams when Ogbunke allegedly "misrepresented" and "falsified" information on her personal representative application, (4) the circuit court erred by failing to consider allegations of credit card fraud and credit reports related to Ogbunke, (5) the probate court erred by failing to allow Adams to present evidence in violation of Rules 19, 50 and 52 of the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure, (6) the circuit court erred by failing to award Adams co-personal representative rights when Ogbunke failed to file certain documents related to the estate, (7) the circuit court erred when it failed to grant Adams relief for harassment he experienced from Ogbunke after the probate court hearing, (8) the circuit court erred by failing to make findings of fact based on Adams's assertion that he was not allowed to testify at the probate court hearing, (9) the probate court erred when it directed a verdict in favor of Ogbunke because Adams was not provided an opportunity to testify, submit evidence, or present a closing argument, (10) the circuit court erred by failing to make findings of fact based on Adams's assertion that the probate court refused to allow Adams to submit evidence, (11) the circuit court erred by failing to "review the case and see all the evidence," (12) the circuit court erred by accepting Ogbunke's "explanations" regarding what occurred at the probate court hearing, (13) the circuit court erred because it was unfamiliar with the process for appealing a probate court's decision and with the specific documentation related to Adam's appeal, and (14) the circuit court erred by not investigating Adams's claims and not making findings of fact related to his claims. We affirm, pursuant to Rule 220(b), SCACR.

The circuit court dismissed Adams's appeal from the probate court, finding he failed to (1) file a statement of issues on appeal as required by section 62-1-308(b) of the South Carolina Code (2022) and (2) state a claim based on an appealable issue. On appeal to this court, Adams has not challenged the circuit court's dismissal of his appeal on the basis that he failed to comply with section 62-1-308(b). Because Adams does not appeal this finding, it is the law of the case, and we affirm. *See Dreher v. S.C. Dep't of Health & Env't Control*, 412 S.C. 244, 250, 772 S.E.2d 505, 508 (2015) ("[S]hould the appealing party fail to raise all of the grounds upon which a lower court's decision was based, those unappealed findings—whether correct or not—become the law of the case."); *Shirley's Iron*

Works, Inc. v. City of Union, 403 S.C. 560, 573, 743 S.E.2d 778, 785 (2013) ("An unappealed ruling is the law of the case and requires affirmance."); Rule 220(c), SCACR ("The appellate court may affirm any ruling, order, decision or judgment upon any ground(s) appearing in the [r]ecord on [a]ppeal.").

AFFIRMED.¹

WILLIAMS, C.J., and VINSON and CURTIS, JJ., concur.

¹ We decide this case without oral argument pursuant to Rule 215, SCACR.