

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA) IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
)
COUNTY OF BEAUFORT) FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Dianne Cromwell as the Guardian Ad) CASE NO. 2021-CP-07-00076
Litem for AY, a minor under the age of)
Fourteen,)

Plaintiff,)

v.)

The Oaks Horizontal Property Regime,)
Inc., and Diamond Management, Inc.,)
Defendants,)

**ORDER DENYING PLAINTIFF'S
MOTION FOR A NEW TRIAL**

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This matter was tried before a jury on June 25th and 26th of 2025 with the undersigned serving as the trial Judge. The jury rendered a verdict in favor of Defendants The Oaks Horizontal Property Regime, Inc. and Diamond Management, Inc.¹ (collectively “Defendants”), finding them not liable for AY’s alleged damages. Following this verdict, Dianne Cromwell as the Guardian Ad Litem for AY, a minor under the age of Fourteen (“Plaintiff”) was granted ten (10) days to submit post-trial motions and timely submitted a Motion for a New Trial, pursuant to Rule 59(e), *SCRCP*, and Memorandum in Support arguing the jury’s verdict was against the weight of the evidence.

Plaintiff’s motion was heard on October 31, 2025 and the parties were represented at this hearing by John E. Parker, on behalf of Plaintiff, and W. Chase McNair, on behalf of Defendants. After a thorough review of the pleadings, record of the case and oral arguments of counsel, I find the evidence presented at trial was sufficient to support the jury’s verdict. Accordingly, Plaintiff’s Motion for a New Trial is denied.

¹ Defendants John Jolin and Maggie Morena were dismissed with prejudice pursuant to a Consent Order dated December 15, 2023

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

The Honorable Carmen T. Mullen
Fourteenth Judicial Circuit

December ____, 2025



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