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GERALDINE WHITE,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JOHN R.C. BOWEN,

Defendant.

October 28, 2025

MOTION HEARING

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The Honorable Carmen Tevis Mullen, Presiding Judge.

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P R O C E E D I N G S

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2 (Whereupon, the following proceedings started at 4:09 p.m.)

3 THE COURT: All right. So I'll most likely start with
4 Lieutenant John Bowen, (indiscernible). (Indiscernible)
5 attorney have a Motion of Summary Judgment. So we're going to
6 proceed as if it's summary judgment. Okay?

7 So whenever you are ready, Mr. --

8 Oh. I'm sorry.

9 MS. GREVEY: Good afternoon, Your Honor. My name is Kara
10 Grevey. I'm here on behalf of Attorney John Bowen. He's a
11 respected member of the bar down here.

12 He -- so some back story. Mr. Bowen previously
13 represented Benny Hudson Seafood Corporation in a 2018 action
14 where Ms. Geraldine White was the defendant, along with Craig
15 White. That action involved a shrimp boat that was
16 inappropriately moored to Benny Hudson's dock. During
17 Hurricane Matthew, the shrimp boat sunk. The dock was
18 obstructed and there was some damage to it.

19 In any event, Mr. Bowen, my client, obtained a judgment
20 against Ms. White and Mr. White in that action. There was --
21 I think, unfortunately, Ms. White was in default, and she and
22 Mr. White failed to appear at the (indiscernible) hearing. So
23 an order of judgment went against her.

24 Thereafter, Ms. White moved to set aside the Entry of
25 Default, which was denied. And then she appealed that, which

1 was also dismissed.

2 So fast forward to 2025. She has now instituted this
3 action against Mr. Bowen and Ms. McKeithan. In this action,
4 she filed a Petition for Ex Parte, with -- I think it was
5 Emergency Inductive Relief, seeking to set aside that Order of
6 Judgment from back in 2018.

7 Now, I'm thinking the basis of that was she had an
8 upcoming distribution from a trust property where she was set
9 to make some money from it. And the judgment would attach.
10 So she was trying to get an order to stay that prior order of
11 judgment. So we filed a Motion to Dismiss that, just based on
12 the fact that, you know, it was improper. She had already
13 exhausted her (indiscernible) avenue to do that prior to the
14 judgment order, either set aside or appealed it. Both were
15 denied.

16 So we would dismiss it. We did not serve her with it.
17 So then she filed a Motion for default against us, in which we
18 responded to and said -- well, it wasn't actually a complaint
19 that was filed. We were never served with the summons or
20 anything. We were just served with this Ex Parte Petition
21 granted. And so if you look at the Rule -- I mean, apply it
22 to everything that needs applying, Ex Parte, you know, common
23 (indiscernible) that would be responses on that party.

24 So we did respond to them and just said, you know,
25 frankly, (indiscernible) respond to it. And we moved to

1 dismiss on the grounds that, one, it would be an effort
2 bringing it before, respectfully, one for a judge to set aside
3 an order of another judge when she already moved to set aside
4 that order (indiscernible) to default. It was denied. She
5 appealed it. It was dismissed. Second, it's undisputed that
6 her claims against Mr. Bowen -- which I think are -- she wants
7 sanctions against him. Those -- all his statements and all
8 his actions were taken on behalf of his client, Benny Hudson.
9 And attorneys have immunity in this state to third parties.

10 THE COURT: Can I ask you a quick question?

11 So I know the second cause of action she filed was for a
12 TRO. So was that heard and denied?

13 MS. GREVEY: That was never heard.

14 THE COURT: It's just never been heard?

15 MS. GREVEY: Yeah.

16 THE COURT: It's just pending. Okay.

17 MS. GREVEY: And so I think it's now moot, quite frankly,
18 because the sale withdrew.

19 THE COURT: Okay.

20 MS. GREVEY: So there have been a -- kind of a flurry of
21 other filings to get her money back that was, you know,
22 attached to the judgment.

23 THE COURT: Okay. So you --

24 MS. GREVEY: So we would move to dismiss it.

25 THE COURT: Okay.

1 MS. GREVEY: Yes.

2 THE COURT: And then my understanding is her other
3 conflict action, she is bringing -- it said it was for failing
4 to report the closing attorney for the property, apparently,
5 to Office of Disciplinary Counsel? Am I correct? Is that how
6 I read it?

7 MS. GREVEY: I think so. So she did file a complaint
8 against Mr. Bowen with the ODC. That was an Affidavit of
9 Insist.

10 THE COURT: Okay. I just was looking. I went back. And
11 typically, when I'm not a hundred percent sure of what the
12 Causes of Action are, I typically go back and read the Summons
13 and Complaint just so I'm comfortable with what is alleged.
14 So those -- my understanding, are the two causes of action
15 that she has filed. And I correct on that? Or is she -- you
16 know, is she alleged with a malpractice or any other cause of
17 action?

18 MS. GREVEY: No. I think it was just an injunction just
19 stating what's in the back order (indiscernible).

20 THE COURT: Okay. All right. Thank you.

21 Anything else you need to add?

22 MS. GREVEY: I don't think so.

23 THE COURT: All right.

24 Ms. White. Yes, ma'am.

25 MS. WHITE: (Indiscernible).

1 THE COURT: Good afternoon.

2 MS. WHITE: Good afternoon. Thank you.

3 THE COURT: Yes, ma'am.

4 MS. WHITE: First, I have some copies of these exhibits.
5 I wonder if everyone received those copies.

6 MS. GREVEY: I did. Thank you.

7 MS. WHITE: You're welcome.

8 May it please the Court.

9 My name is Geraldine White. I am 83 years old. I stand
10 before this court today representing myself, not because I
11 want to, but because I have no other choice. I am a
12 (indiscernible), but I am not helpless. I have lived long
13 enough to know right from wrong. And I have gathered enough
14 evidence to show that what was done to me in this case was
15 just not right. It was wrong. It was unlawful.

16 The opposing party's attorney, John R.C. Bowen, acting
17 for Benny Hudson's Seafood Corporation, and Attorney Kori
18 (indiscernible) Brett McKeithan, was acting as the
19 (indiscernible) attorney for my family property that was being
20 sold. I asked this Court to dismiss my complaints, but the
21 truth is simple. They don't want the Court to have -- they
22 don't want this Court to look too closely at how the 2018
23 judgment was obtained.

24 And John R.C. Bowen emailed (indiscernible), he stated,
25 "That Mrs. White is confused." If I was so confused, why

1 would this officer of the court allow this kind of unlawful
2 transaction to be completed? Wouldn't that been the best
3 interest of all? Who would show that I was not confused about
4 what was going on? So it is clear to me that John R.C. Bowen
5 knew I was not totally on board with this so-called
6 transaction.

7 Here are more facts: First, Benny Hudson's Seafood
8 Corporation lost its LLC status on May 23rd, 2015. This means
9 they were not legal, existing corporation at the present time.
10 They claim they suffered damage. See exhibit 14A. I am not
11 or never was the owner of the vessel, however, I was the one
12 that being sued. I just was asked by my sister, Lolitha White
13 Cornwall, to see, Exhibit 77, plus 77A to exchange the money
14 she spent for the purchase of the boat for our nephew, Craig
15 White.

16 South Carolina Code Section 33-14-105, Effectation (sic) of
17 Dissolution states, "A dissolved corporation continues its
18 operation existing, but may not carry on any business except
19 to wind up the liquidation, its business, and affairs."

20 When Benny Hudson's Seafood Corporation was dissolved, it
21 could not continue normal business activity like selling
22 product, binding contract, or filing lawsuits. They may only
23 wind up existing affairs. Involved in filing a lawsuit of new
24 damages, especially what he rents, that happened after
25 dissolution, is not winding up. It is unauthorized act.

1 According to South Carolina Code Section 33-14 to 102, Grounds
2 for Administrative Dissolution. A corporation is dissolved if
3 it fails to file an annual report and maintain a registered
4 agent papers. Once dissolved by the South Carolina law, the
5 company loses the legal capacity to sue or to be sued until it
6 is formally reinstated. Because they did not reinstate until
7 May 29th, 2017, they had no standing to file a lawsuit of
8 Claims for Damages for events in October of 2016. Because at
9 this time, they did not legally exist. Reinstatement does not
10 reactivating violating claims.

11 According to South Carolina Status Section 33-14-220,
12 Reinstatement following administrative dissolution. When
13 reinstated, the corporation resumes carrying on its business
14 as if dissolution never occurred. But South Carolina court
15 interpreted this violation. Reinstatement bestows prior
16 rights and obligation, and but it does not reactivate
17 authorized acts illegal or authorized (indiscernible)
18 authority during the dissolution.

19 So when Benny Hudson Corporation filed their lawsuit
20 against me, April 16th, 2018; the damage occurred in October
21 of 2016, the law was legally invalid from the start. Cases:
22 Warren versus Charleston and Western Carolina Railway Company,
23 234, S.C. 448, 1959; Kenton versus State 365, S.C., 609.620,
24 2025.

25 Secondly, the loss in the hurricane that they blamed for

1 this so called loss as Hurricane Matthew didn't even strike
2 until October 2016, yet they testified under oath that they
3 lost 52 weeks of revenue in 2016, which is impossible.

4 Third, they did not even apply for reinstatement until
5 May 2017, still after all of these losses, and yet they went
6 ahead and filed a lawsuit against me on April 16th, 2018,
7 seeking over \$20,000 in damages, Exhibit 14A.

8 Then, on August 22nd, 2018, (indiscernible) Matthew
9 (indiscernible) an order of judgment for \$201,000 against me,
10 based on testimony that was false, inconsistent, and
11 completely unsupported by proof. They claim \$3,000 for damage
12 removal that was never paid and a \$25,000 estimate from debris
13 removal, that just an estimate, not an expense. And still
14 after that, they never filed any lien against me or my
15 property.

16 Yet, when my family later tried to sell property, these
17 attorneys sent an email to our closing attorney demanding that
18 the proceeds from sale money belonging to me, be diverted to
19 them, even though no valid lien exists and I was not the legal
20 (indiscernible) of the boat they claim was involved.

21 THE COURT: Was there a judgment against you, Ms. White?
22 (No audible response.)

23 THE COURT: Was there a judgment against you?

24 MS. WHITE: That - what -- a judgment --

25 THE COURT: A judgment against you that

1 (indiscernible) --

2 MS. WHITE: The judgment was stayed illegally.

3 THE COURT: -- to respond?

4 MS. WHITE: But they --

5 THE COURT: Okay.

6 MS. WHITE: -- were saying I had a lien.

7 THE COURT: Okay.

8 MS. WHITE: They kept saying I have a lien against me.

9 And I'm still looking as -- yesterday, I checked. And I've
10 never seen a lien or (indiscernible) on me.

11 Okay. Under South Carolina law, the Bill of Sale does
12 not establish ownership of vessel; S.C. Code 50 23-55A, a
13 certification of (indiscernible) as primary evidence
14 ownership, not a Bill of Sale.

15 So, Your Honor, this was not a lawful judgment being
16 imposed; it was one being used to take my family's property.
17 And now, instead of facing these facts, they're asking you to
18 dismiss my case without even letting the truth come to light.
19 In addition, Joseph DuBois mentioned that I admit being on
20 (indiscernible) in my filing in 2018. However, I never stated
21 such nonsense. The person that hired me have careful
22 (indiscernible), just like the one he made when he filed his
23 writing on October 24th, 2025, stating that the judgment
24 occurred August 24th, 2021.

25 S.C. Code 15-35-810, a judgment only entered into the

1 office of the Clerk of Court to consist a lien upon real
2 estate upon the judgment debt total, and (indiscernible) when
3 the judge is entered, Exhibit 78 -- 78. No lien against me or
4 property as of October 22, 2025.

5 At 83 years old, I shouldn't have to stand here begging
6 for fairness. But I will, because I believe in this court and
7 justice. I'm simply asking for the opportunity to be heard,
8 not dismissed. And for the record to finally reflect what
9 really happened.

10 Thank you, Your Honor.

11 THE COURT: Ms. White, let me ask you. Did you ask Judge
12 Dukes when he entered this order, to reconsider? Did you file
13 a motion to reconsider his judgment or his order?

14 MS. WHITE: During that time -- that was in 2018.

15 THE COURT: Right.

16 MS. WHITE: Okay. Well, during that time, I was
17 seeking, -- in reality they knew exactly everything that was
18 going on, because my nephew -- which, he's deceased now -- he
19 was the owner of the vessel.

20 THE COURT: That's what --

21 MS. WHITE: He was in charge of everything --

22 THE COURT: Okay.

23 MS. WHITE: -- not me. My primary job was to -- which I
24 did -- was delivering \$18,000 in cash to someone for him to
25 get the boat. And the reason why I did that, because my

1 sister, Rosa, was living -- the Virgin Islands, St. Croix,
2 Virgin Island -- called me and said to my niece and me and
3 asked me would I do it. And that's what I did.

4 THE COURT: Okay.

5 Ms. Grevey, could one of you get me the case number for
6 the underlying lawsuits?

7 MS. GREVEY: Absolutely. The underlying lawsuit is
8 2018-CP-07-00793.

9 THE COURT: Okay. Thank you.

10 All right. So I heard your motion. I see that also have
11 a motion on behalf of Kori Brett McKeithan; is that correct?

12 MR. DUBOIS: Yes, Your Honor.

13 THE COURT: And you're representing her? Are you
14 converting this Motion to Dismiss into a Summary Judgment
15 Motion as well?

16 MR. DUBOIS: If you'd like. I did file a number of
17 documents including the subject Bill of Sale that Ms. White
18 references. If you'd like to go over it.

19 THE COURT: Okay.

20 MR. DUBOIS: I filed on October 24th a memorandum that
21 I'll go through briefly.

22 Your Honor, I represent -- Joseph Dubois, representing
23 the (indiscernible) defendants Kori Brett McKeithan. She's a
24 real estate closing attorney in my law firm, Liberty Oak Law
25 Firm.

1 I'm here today arguing her Motion to Dismiss that was
2 filed on April 23rd in response to Ms. White's filing that
3 was, I think, captioned as some sort of (indiscernible) but if
4 not, I'll address it as (indiscernible) lawsuit.

5 Briefly, 2026 (sic), Ms. White signed the Bill of Sale
6 for the subject 35-foot wooden boat. It's pretty undisputed
7 that the boat crashed into the Hudson's dock and was there for
8 a period of time. John Bowen did bring the lawsuit in 2018.
9 It went to default judgment. The judge issued a large default
10 judgment against Ms. White and her co-defendant. Ms. White --

11 THE COURT: Is the co-defendant Craig White or --

12 MR. DUBOIS: Craig White.

13 THE COURT: Okay. Keep going.

14 MR. DUBOIS: They both filed a Motion to Reconsider,
15 which Judge Dukes heard and denied in January 2019.

16 THE COURT: Okay.

17 MR. DUBOIS: There then was an appeal to the South
18 Carolina Court of Appeals by Ms. White. I don't know if her
19 co-defendant also appealed or not. But the Court of Appeals
20 dismissed that appeal. And so it's a Final Judgment of
21 Record. As far as, you know, whether or not there's some of a
22 paper that says that that lien attaches against Ms. White's
23 property, there -- it's not. But there is a judgment on
24 record when Ms. McKeithan does a file search. And she did
25 too, here. And I'll go over those (indiscernible). The

1 judgment that we're talking about from Judge Dukes popped up
2 in both federal searches and it attaches by operation of laws
3 under (indiscernible) to Ms. White's property. So there is a
4 judgment lien from the date of the judgment's finality forward
5 that was taken into account by the closing attorney.

6 So there's two parcels. And Ms. McKeithan was hired as a
7 closing attorney for two separate parcels. The first parcel
8 was a .5, one-half acre's parcel in Hilton Head for Beach City
9 Road. And Ms. White was a partial owner, I think, for 1/13th
10 owner of that.

11 So pursuant to the typical real estate closing practices,
12 Ms. White's judgment was identified. And very typical, the
13 closing attorney reaches out to the judgment holder's
14 attorney. Here, it's John Bowen, represented by my other co-
15 counsel here, to try to resolve that lien so that the sale
16 could happen. And pursuant to that negotiation, it was
17 determined that the judgment predator, Benny Hudson, wanted
18 the full amount that was due, in spite -- it was partially
19 satisfied. It's now a legal, binding judgment.

20 That was all negotiated. Closing attorneys sent Ms.
21 White that conversation and gave her a month to think about
22 it. The letter was sent in December 2024. January, a month
23 later, Ms. White shows up at Liberty Oak Law Firm in person,
24 executes all the typical closing documents, seller's
25 affidavit, the deed. Closing attorney had Ms. White initial

1 each page of that group of paperwork as proof she read it and
2 looked at it and agreed. From the disbursement from the
3 sale -- the selling -- the buying/purchasing attorney, and
4 that was Robert Dowing (phonetic), wired the money of \$16,000
5 directly to John Bowen's law firm, I guess, to distribute to
6 Benny Hudson's Seafood Company and somebody. All of that
7 happened. And that all happened in January of 2025. And no
8 problem. Everybody's happy. Closing happened.

9 Ms. McKeithan gets a second contract a couple months
10 later and does a title search. And this second contract's for
11 a larger parcel, 3.2 acres. This is undeveloped property on
12 Union Cemetery Road in Hilton Head. And it's for over a
13 million dollars and the numbers are bigger now.

14 THE COURT: And she had a 1/10 interest.

15 MR. DUBOIS: She had a 1/10 interest in that. Same
16 process. Contacts John Bowen, gets the payoff. Tries to
17 negotiate. He says I lost a whole \$130,000 (indiscernible).
18 Same thing. Sends Ms. White a overnight UPS, because she
19 doesn't have email back then. He sends it to her overnight
20 UPS. (Indiscernible), she's going to have to (indiscernible)
21 again. Not going to get any proceeds.

22 And then three years later, she files and instant lawsuit
23 alleging against Ms. McKeithan for one of two things. First
24 thing, Mrs. McKeithan didn't report John Bowen to ODC. Okay.
25 There's no duty that Ms. McKeithan has to report John Bowen to

1 ODC because Geraldine White suspected he's done something
2 wrong. We looked in the Rules of Procedures. There is no
3 violation. There's no duty there. So that's (indiscernible).

4 The second thing that Ms. White asked in her petition
5 that we'd move to be dismissed, that Ms. McKeithan be
6 (indiscernible) restrained from transferring any money to
7 (indiscernible). Respectfully, that's moot. Under this
8 lawsuit filed, Ms. McKeithan thoughtfully withdrew as counsel.
9 Later on, Ms. White transferred that -- her interest in that
10 three-acre parcel to her sister, Rosa, for ten dollars. So
11 she doesn't even own that property anymore as of July
12 (indiscernible). And without a duty, without -- with the
13 second property being moot as to whether it's going to be
14 transferred at all, and without any sort of an affidavit,
15 McKeithan is an attorney. You have to have an affidavit that
16 she did something wrong in order to sue her and have any kind
17 of (indiscernible) claim.

18 For those three reasons: Mootness, no legal duty under
19 the Rules of (indiscernible) conduct for Ms. White, and no
20 affidavit of an attorney that says she did anything wrong, the
21 claims against Ms. McKeithan ought to be dismissed. And
22 that's -- we laid that all out in our memorandum. But
23 (indiscernible) you're welcome to read over all the
24 memorandum.

25 Thank you.

1 THE COURT: Ms. White, do you want to respond to that?

2 MS. WHITE: Yes.

3 Well, Your Honor, is everything that I stated before is
4 (indiscernible) at the same time.

5 THE COURT: (Indiscernible).

6 MS. WHITE: This is all coincide together. However, I'm
7 going to have this corrected. I did not own a vessel. I've
8 tried to tell them that since 2018. I was just a delivery
9 person that someone asked me -- my family -- we were taught to
10 help each other out when they're in the crisis by need. I was
11 called -- which I stated before, by my sister Rosa. She was
12 sending Craig \$20,000 to help him get the vessel. However,
13 Craig didn't have any record for the bank account or anything.
14 So she calls me and she asked me, would I take this money
15 because the person he bought from wanted cash, \$18,000 in
16 cash. Rosa felt that she could not trust Craig to handle that
17 type of money, but she didn't have no means of getting this
18 money to this person in cash.

19 See I took -- I went -- someone drove us to wherever the
20 boat was. And I paid this person -- went to the bank when I
21 got in Brunswick, Georgia, got the \$18,000. They wanted it
22 cash. What happens? This person took the money. This is
23 Craig. He's a grown man. I'm just getting the money. And he
24 was walking away. And I called him back, and I said, "Mister,
25 you can't just take -- I can't just give you \$18,000 in cash

1 and you walking away and I have nothing to show for it."

2 And he turned around, he went somewhere, and he came
3 back. I wasn't even thinking about nothing about no Bill of
4 Sale. I just wanted something showing that I delivered his
5 \$18,000 in cash. He wrote something and he told me to sign
6 it. I did. Craig signed and I signed. I do not own the
7 vessel. What happened between Craig and Barbara Hudson --
8 because Craig is deceased now. I can't speak for him. He
9 can't talk to me. But I can recall some of the things he told
10 me. He was authorized to put the boat down before the storm
11 came. A vicious storm came.

12 I was in Atlanta, Georgia. I never seen the boat or
13 nothing. I don't know what was going on. He told me once I
14 got something out of him, I didn't even know what it was all
15 about. He said that he had a verbal contract with Barbara
16 Hudson and her daughter, Tonya Hudson, to put the boat there.
17 From that, Barbara Hudson would receive the best of their
18 crop. And he asked her, what is that? She said, the shrimp,
19 the large shrimp that we catch. Barbara Hudson had a gripe
20 against that (indiscernible). I don't what price it was.

21 Because Craig was a grown man. I wasn't in his care. I
22 wasn't in his business. I don't know anything. When I saw,
23 (indiscernible). When I did, I called my sister in
24 (indiscernible). I said, whatever is going on, you and Craig
25 have to handle it. I cannot do it. I don't know what's going

1 on. I ended up in Hilton Head Hospital because I was all
2 confused. I don't know what's going on. Now, all of this is
3 coming back. I can't speak for Craig. I throw away all his
4 notes and everything else.

5 So what I'm trying to put -- I have what I recall once I
6 went back into what was going on. And this is the latest we
7 have with Ethan. What happened -- the property was sold some
8 time in January -- before that. They keep calling me, telling
9 me that my sister Edith (phonetic) signed for a property to be
10 sold. Okay. I -- she said to me, I'm sending it -- because
11 she was always -- and don't call me, don't ask any question.
12 I will send you your money.

13 I kept getting calls from salesman. And she kept saying
14 to me. We -- they're going to sell the property. And in
15 order for property to be sold and for everybody to get their
16 money, you have to sell -- you have to sign. And I said,
17 well, can -- you put my portion of money in an escrow until I
18 can clear what is going on with me. They told me there was no
19 such thing as an escrow. I even spoke to John Bowen. I asked
20 him -- I said, well, in order to satisfy my family, I went --
21 and I will sign. But can you put my portion, which is
22 \$15,665.73 in escrow. They told me, "No, there is no such
23 thing." Now, I'm totally confused. I don't know what to do.
24 They say that I was -- I didn't understand what was going on.
25 They were absolutely right. I was like in a fog.

1 I was driven down there by a person who -- Edith knows
2 somebody. I didn't even where I was going. I was placed into
3 a room. The attorney was over here. The person that drove us
4 was there. I was in the middle. I don't know what's going
5 on, because right now I'm thinking, I don't know what they're
6 going to do with me and for me. If I knew what was going on,
7 I would have brought somebody there to be my witness. I
8 was -- like, you have to sign it in order for the sale to go,
9 in order for your family to receive their money, you have to
10 sign. And I had signed. But that's what I did, under
11 pressure, not on my own behavior and my own behalf, because
12 that's not me. I'm not that person who just signs something
13 like that.

14 Then another sale came through, 3.2 acres of the land.
15 And we got -- I got -- something was sent down to -- from John
16 Bowen again, stating that -- sent me something saying that,
17 you got partial payment. That's what he said. We took the
18 \$15,665.73, a partial payment of what you owed. I said, well,
19 that can't -- I said, I don't owe anything, but you can have
20 that if -- then he said, no. As long as you have property in
21 your name and if you sell anything, you have to pay this debt
22 off, which is right now probably, must be half-a-million
23 dollars by now, because everything incur a financial thing.

24 So the whole key is -- and Barbara Hudson, of all the
25 people in my family and all the people on Hilton Head, she

1 wanted this property that I had and attaching me because of a
2 vessel that I knew nothing about -- just delivering money --
3 how it was operating, all that. I am deathly afraid of all of
4 that work. I don't know even know what was happened. And --

5 THE COURT: Ms. White, what I'm going to do is this. I'm
6 going to go back and I'm going to look through the lawsuit,
7 the 2018 lawsuit. Let me go through it. I think there are
8 some procedural challenges that you have as far as this
9 current lawsuit is concerned. But let me go back and look at
10 everything. Let me consider everything. And then I will
11 probably ask someone -- potentially for a (indiscernible)
12 order; I may order the (indiscernible) myself.

13 But I certainly have heard you and I certainly do
14 (indiscernible). So I appreciate it.

15 MS. WHITE: Thank you, Your Honor, and I appreciate it.

16 THE COURT: You also have three motions that you filed,
17 and they were to strike the Motion to Dismiss, Motion for
18 Equity for Writ Demand Aid, and also I note in this Schedule
19 to (indiscernible) Damages Hearing and to order a return of
20 the money.

21 Those will be proper in front of me depending on what I
22 do with these two motions. So right now, we're just going to
23 mark them as resolved. And then, you should get something
24 from the clerk, too. Okay?

25 MS. WHITE: Thank you, Your Honor.

1 THE COURT: I appreciate it. That you, ma'am.

2 MS. WHITE: If you'll allow me, I have a closing
3 statement, something I wrote. Can I show you?

4 THE COURT: Certainly. If you want to. Certainly.

5 MS. WHITE: Your Honor, this case is not about
6 complication law. It is about accountability. It's about
7 whether attorneys and corporations can misuse the court system
8 to take money and property from an elderly woman without any
9 lawful lien or ownership proof.

10 The record shows that Benny Hudson Seafood Corporation
11 was not legally active when they claimed these losses, that
12 they lied about losing an entire year of revenue, and they
13 collected damage they'd never paid out. Then, they and their
14 attorneys used the judgment to interfere with my family's
15 civil procedure, something they had no legal right to do.

16 I have not come to this Court empty-handed. I have
17 documents, time lines, and testimony that support everything I
18 have said. The tax (indiscernible), Motion to Dismiss, and
19 justice requires that I be given a chance to present them
20 fully. At my age, I am not fighting for more than money; I am
21 fighting for the dignity, for the truth, and for every wrong
22 people have done who has never been -- who has been taken
23 advantage of by people who thought they could get away with it
24 and justice for all.

25 I respectfully ask this Court to deny the Motion to

1 (indiscernible) and orderly instated in the amount of
2 \$15,665.73, plus damage. However, in the attorney fee, allow
3 this case to proceed so this truth can fully be heard.

4 Thank you, Your Honor.

5 THE COURT: Thank you, Ms. White.

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7 (At 4:44:32 p.m., the hearing concluded.)

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