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APPEAL FROM BERKELEY COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas

Charles J. McCutchen, Circuit Court Judge
Dale E. Van Slambrook, Circuit Court Judge

Case No. 2025-CP-08-00820

Richard Kenneth Weatherford, Jr., Plaintiff,

v.

Timothy James Davidson, Defendant

and

Progressive Direct Insurance Company, Third Party,

of which Progressive Direct Insurance Company is the Appellant.

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Appellant Progressive Direct Insurance Company, appeals the September 19, 2025 Order Granting Respondent’s Rule to Show Cause, the October 8, 2025 Order Granting In Part and Denying In Part Progressive Direct Insurance Company’s Motion to Alter or Amend and Relief From Prior Order, and the January 28, 2026 Order Holding Progressive Direct Insurance Company in Contempt and Imposing Sanctions. Appellant received written notice of entry of the January 28, 2026 Order on January 28, 2026.

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served Appellant Progressive Direct Insurance Company’s Notice of Appeal via email and by U.S. Mail to counsel for the Respondent on February 11, 2026.

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Re: Richard Kenneth Weatherford, Jr. v. Timothy James Davidson
Civil Action No.: 2025-CP-08-00820
Our File No.: 1115-5924

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Attached for filing is a Notice of Appeal, Proof of Service, and the three (3) Orders from the lower court that are the subject of the Appeal. Please note that the \$250.00 filing fee for the Notice of Appeal is being sent via U.S. Mail today.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours truly,

s/Jay Thompson

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Cc: All Counsel of Record (via email only)

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Richard Kenneth Weatherford, Jr.,Respondent,

v.

Timothy James Davidson, Defendant, and Progressive Direct Insurance Company Third Party,

of which Progressive Direct Insurance Company is the Appellant.

PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that I have filed Appellant Progressive Direct Insurance Company’s Notice of Appeal via Electronic Filing System to Berkeley County Clerk of Court and emailed same to counsel for the Respondent and Defendant on February 12, 2026.

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