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S.C. SUPREME COURT

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
FOR THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF RICHLAND

JOHN A. TIBBS and MARGARET B. TIBBS,

Plaintiffs,

v.

3M COMPANY, *et al.*,

Defendants.

and

CAPE PLC, individually and as successor in interest to CAPE ASBESTOS COMPANY LIMITED, by and through its duly appointed Receiver Peter D. Protopapas,

Third-Party Plaintiff,

v.

ANGLO AMERICAN PLC, individually and as successor in interest to ANGLO AMERICAN CORPORATION OF SOUTH AFRICA LTD.; DE BEERS PLC, individually and as successor in interest to DE BEERS S.A.; DE BEERS CENTENARY AG; DE BEERS CONSOLIDATED MINES LTD., n/k/a DE BEERS CONSOLIDATED MINES PROPRIETARY LTD.; DE BEERS UK LTD.; DE BEERS JEWELLERS LTD.; DE BEERS JEWELLERS US, INC.; ANGLO AMERICAN US HOLDINGS INC.; ELEMENT SIX US CORP.; ELEMENT SIX TECHNOLOGIES US CORP.; ELEMENT SIX TECHNOLOGIES (OR) CORP.; FIRST MODE HOLDINGS, INC.; PLATINUM GUILD INTERNATIONAL (U.S.A.) JEWELRY INC.; LIGHTBOX JEWELRY INC.; FOREVERMARK US INC.; ANGLO AMERICAN CROP NUTRIENTS (U.S.A.), LLC; CHARTER CONSOLIDATED LTD.; ESAB CORPORATION; CENTRAL MINING & INVESTMENT CORPORATION LTD.; CAPE HOLDCO LTD.; THE LAW

C.A. No. 2023-CP-40-01759

In Re: Asbestos Personal Injury Litigation
Coordinated Docket

**EIGHTH REPORT TO THE
SUPREME COURT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
PURSUANT TO ITS ORDER OF REMAND
DATED JUNE 26, 2025**

DEBENTURE CORPORATION PLC; CAPE INDUSTRIAL SERVICES GROUP LTD.; MOHED ALTRAD; ALTRAD UK LTD.; CAPE UK HOLDINGS NEWCO LTD.; ALTRAD SERVICES LTD., f/k/a CAPE INDUSTRIAL SERVICES LTD.; ALTRAD INVESTMENT AUTHORITY S.A.S.; SPARROWS OFFSHORE GROUP LTD.; HAWK BIDCO US INC.; ARRANCO US, LLC; SPARROWS OFFSHORE, LLC; THE SPARROWS GROUP, LLC,

Third-Party Defendants.

Pursuant to the South Carolina Supreme Court's Order of Remand in this matter, dated June 26, 2025, in which the Court asked that I submit monthly reports as to my progress in addressing the directives from the Court contained in its Remand Order, this will constitute my Eighth Report.

Since my Seventh Report to this Court, I have continued to review materials concerning cases on the Asbestos Docket, including matters involving the trial or settlement resolution of cases in which a Receiver has been appointed in the matter. All matters pending before me which involve *Tibbs v. 3M* and *Cape, by its Receiver v. Anglo American, Altrad, ESAB, and Central Mining* have been held in abeyance by me until the Supreme Court completes the appellate process regarding these matters.

Respectfully submitted,



Chief Justice (Ret.) Jean Hofer Toal
Presiding Circuit Court Judge

Dated February 20, 2026
Columbia, South Carolina

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