

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM FAIRFIELD COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas

The Honorable Brian M. Gibbons, Judicial Circuit Court Judge

Appellate Case No. 2026-000263

Estate of Robert E. Powers Jr., Jennifer D. Powers, Personal Representative,
.....Appellant,

v.

The Hon. Bradley Caulder as an individual, Law Office of Barbara E. Brunson, as
guardian ad litem for Robert Edward Powers, Jr., Barbara Brunson, individual,
Family Services, Inc., d/b/a Origin SC, as Conservator for Robert E. Powers, Jr.,
Caprice Atterbury, as an individual, Traci Strickland, as an individual, Leslie P.
Taylor, as Guardian for Robert E. Powers, Jr., Leslie P. Taylor, individual, Attorney
Brian Dumas, individual, and Attorney Brandon Keith Poston, individual,
.....Respondents.

**RESPONDENTS BARBARA BRUNSON & THE LAW OFFICE OF
BARBARA E. BRUNSON, AS GUARDIAN AD LITEM FOR ROBERT E.
POWERS, JR.’S RETURN TO APPELLANT’S MOTION TO FILE
AMENDED NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Respondents Barbara Brunson and The Law Office of Barbara E. Brunson, as guardian *ad litem* for Robert Edward Powers, Jr. (“Brunson”) opposes Appellant Jennifer D. Powers (“Powers”) latest filings, each of which are titled “Ex-Parte Motion Requesting Permission to File Amended Notice of Appeal,” (collectively as the “Motions”) for three reasons.¹

¹ On February 26, 2026, Powers filed two documents, each of which are titled “Ex-Parte Appellant Motion Requesting Permission to File Amended Notice of Appeal.” These documents appear to be identical in form and substance, though they are filed in reference to different Circuit Court case numbers. Accordingly, Brunson makes this Return to both filings.

First, the Court should deny Powers' Motions due to her continued procedural failures. Powers filed these Motions, like many others, without properly serving them on Brunson's counsel as required by Rule 262(c), SCACR. Undersigned counsel received the instant Motions by FedEx delivery. This is not the first time that Powers has used FedEx to serve documents, both on undersigned counsel and on Brunson directly. Moreover, Powers' Proof of Service filed with the Motions indicates that the Motions were served on February 25, 2026, by both United States Mail and personal delivery to the undersigned counsel's office. By contrast, the Motions were sent via FedEx, and the shipping label indicates a ship date of February 28, 2026. (See Powers' FedEx Packet, **Exhibit A**.) Given Powers' failure to properly follow the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules, Powers' Motions should be denied. Rule 240(g), SCACR ("Failure of the moving party to perform any act required by this Rule may be deemed an abandonment of the motion or petition.").

Second, Powers has failed to state the grounds for the Motions as required by Rule 240(c), SCACR. The Clerk of Court previously notified Powers that she could not amend her Notices of Appeal without filing a motion under Rule 240. (Ltr. To Powers, February 19, 2026.) In response, Powers made two filings titled "Ex-Parte Appellant Motion Requesting Permission to File Amended Notice of Appeal" wherein she moves, "[p]ursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 15(a) and 15(a)(1), Rule 15(a)(2), the Appellants hereby submit this Motion to File their Amended Complaint." (Ex-Parte Motion Requesting Permission to File Amended Notice of Appeal ¶ 2.) Powers' Motions, much like her various other filings, are largely incomprehensible, so they fail to "state the grounds thereof" as required by Rule 240(c), and should be denied.

Third, Powers is not a licensed attorney and lacks standing to pursue this action in a representative capacity as a *pro se* litigant. *Brown v. Coe*, 365 S.C. 137, 142, 616 S.E.2d 705, 708, *order clarified*, 365 S.C. 664, 620 S.E.2d 323 (2005); *In re Lexington County Transfer Court*, 334

S.C. 47, 512 S.E.2d 791 (1999) (acknowledging that South Carolina, like other jurisdictions, limits the practice of law to licensed attorneys). The generally understood definition of the practice of law embraces the preparation of pleadings, and other papers incident to actions and special proceedings, and the management of such actions and proceedings on behalf of clients before judges and courts. *Doe v. McMaster*, 355 S.C. 306, 585 S.E.2d 773 (2003); *State v. Despain*, 319 S.C. 317, 460 S.E.2d 576 (1995); *In re Duncan*, 83 S.C. 186, 65 S.E. 210 (1909). Such a limitation is required by Section 40-5-310 because Powers is not a lawyer and the Estate is a separate legal entity with interests other than those of Powers alone. *Coe*, 365 S.C. at 147, 616 S.E.2d at 708; S.C. Code Ann. § 40-5-310 (“No person may practice or solicit the cause of another in a court of this State unless he has been admitted and sworn as an attorney.”) Moreover, the South Carolina Supreme Court has acknowledged that such restrictions on *pro se* representation are “necessary to protect the public from representation by those unlearned in the law.” *Id.*

Powers was informed by both the Fairfield County Probate Court (“Probate Court”) and the Fairfield County Circuit Court (“Circuit Court”) that she was not permitted to pursue this action in a representative capacity as a *pro se* litigant. (June 30, 2025 Order at 3; January 30, 2026 Order of Dismissal at 4). In an apparent disregard of both the Probate Court and the Circuit Court’s respective orders, Powers has repeatedly filed motions and appeals on behalf of the Estate of Robert E. Powers, Jr. Regardless of whether Powers is the court-appointed personal representative of the Estate, she does not have standing to file a civil action on its behalf. The Court should reject Powers’ continued efforts to pursue this action in a representative capacity as a *pro se* litigant and dismiss the appeal. *Coe*, 365 S.C. at 147, 616 S.E.2d at 708.

For the reasons set forth above, Respondents Barbara Brunson and The Law Office of Barbara E. Brunson, as guardian *ad litem* for Robert Edward Powers, Jr. request that the Court deny each of Powers' Ex-Parte Appellant Motion Requesting Permission to File Amended Notice of Appeal. Respondents Barbara Brunson and The Law Office of Barbara E. Brunson, as guardian *ad litem* for Robert Edward Powers, Jr. further request that the Court dismiss the appeal because Powers, a *pro se* litigant, may not pursue this action in a representative capacity on behalf of the Estate of Robert E. Powers, Jr.

Respectfully submitted,

s/Gray T. Culbreath

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March 9, 2026

EXHIBIT A

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**EX-PARTE APPELLANT MOTION REQUESTING PERMISSION
TO FILE AMENDED NOTICE OF APPEAL**

CASE 74

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The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals
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RE: Estate of Robert E. Powers Jr. v. The Hon. Bradley Caulder
Appellate Case No. NO CASE #

RE: Circuit Court Appellate Case No. 2025CP2000274

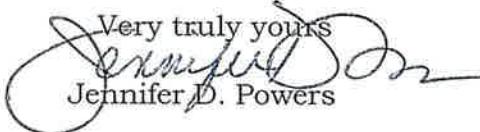
Dear Ms. Kitchings:

As requested by this Court, On February 9, 2026, See Exhibit A and
February 19, 2026, See Exhibit B, Appellate Submitting on Wednesday,
February 25, 2026, EX-PARTE APPELLANT MOTION REQUESTING
PERMISSION TO FILE AMENDED NOTICE OF APPEAL.

Enclosed herewith please find the original and one copy of the
following:

1. Motion, to Amend Under Rule 15(a), Rule 15(a)(1), Rule 15(a)(2)
2. EX-PARTE APPELLANT MOTION REQUESTING PERMISSION
TO FILE AMENDED NOTICE OF APPEAL
3. A clerk is not permitted to refuse filing a document for form
as Required by rule 5.(d)(4) of the Federal Rules of Civil
Procedures specifically, state.
4. 5.(d)(4) Acceptance by the clerk. A clerk must not refuse to
file A paper solely because it is not in the form prescribed by
these rules or by a local rule or practice

Kindly return a time stamped copy of all documents to us. A return envelope Has been
provided for this purpose.

Very truly yours

Jennifer D. Powers

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Poston, individual.....Respondents.

Submitted: February 6, 2026 Decided: January 30, 2026,

EX-PARTE APPELLANT MOTION REQUESTING PERMISSION
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COME NOW, Pursuant to Rule 240, SCACR, appellant Jennifer D.
Powers hereinafter "The"), Appellants, pro se ("POWERS"), moves the
court in the above captioned proceedings; respectfully requests the
Court allow the filing of the Appellant, EX-PARTE APPELLANT
MOTION REQUESTING PERMISSION TO FILE AMENDED NOTICE

OF APPEAL, in lieu of the original Notice of Appeal. In support of his/her motion, Appellant shows unto the Court:

COME NOW, Pursuant to Rule 240, SCACR, appellant Jennifer D. Powers Hereinafter "The"); Appellants, pro se ("POWERS") moves to amend their Notice of Appeal and moves for no extension of time in which to serve and file appellant Amended Notice of Appeal "To all parties of record" On Judgment Order entered on January 30, 2026, by Hon, Brian M. Gibbons Magistrate Judge/ Attorney Bar # 65091, Circuit Court Appellate Case No. 2025CP2000275, by granting the Defendants motion to dismiss and by dismissing Plaintiff's in this action as states:

1. That we are proceeding in a court of Constitutional Due Process under Article III of the Constitution of the United States for America, and the common law

2. Pursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 15(a) and 15(a)(1), Rule 15(a)(2), the Appellants hereby submit this Motion to File their Amended Complaint. The Appellant don't seek leave to Amend Their complaint, this motion is timely for having been filed by the Appellants on February 6, 2026, the Appellants Notice of Appeal of

Appellant, the Incoming (Notice of Appeal of Appellant) As requested by this Court on February 6, 2026,

3. on February 9, 2026, On February 23, 2026 Appellate received a letter from JENNY ABBOTT KITCHINGS CLERK, CATHERINE S. HARRISON CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK as followed: Re: Estate of Robert E. Powers Jr. v. The Hon. Bradley Caulder Appellate Case No. 2026-000263, Dear Ms. Powers: The Court received multiple notices of appeal in this case. The notices of appeal have been consolidated for consideration by the Court, and we anticipate receiving one record on appeal. The times for perfecting the appeal will run from the date of service of the last notice of appeal. **Exhibit A**

4. on February 19, 2026, Appellate filed her amended notices of appeal.

5. On February 23, 2026 Appellate received a letter from JENNY ABBOTT KITCHINGS CLERK, CATHERINE S. HARRISON CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK as followed: Re: Estate of Robert E. Powers Jr. v. The Hon. Bradley Caulder Appellate Case No. 2026-000263, Dear Ms. Powers: The Court has received your amended notices of appeal. If you wish to amend your notices of appeal, you must file a motion pursuant to Rule 240, South Carolina Appellate Court Rules. **Exhibit B**

6. The amended Motion is accompanied by EX-PARTE APPELLANT MOTION REQUESTING PERMISSION TO FILE AMENDED NOTICE OF APPEAL

7. The Rules provide that "leave to amend shall be freely given when justice so requires." FED.R.CIV. P. 15(a). And given that This motion is timely, and discovery is just beginning, there will be no prejudice to the current Respondent. As such, the Appellants respectfully request that the Court grant this motion to amend, and direct clerk to file the attached Second Amended brief.

8. Appellants of their right to file an amended complaint under Rule 15. If in conflict, the Local Rule must yield to the federal rule, here Rule 15. [**See Colgrove v. Battin**, 413 U.S. 149, 1618 (1973).

9. that Rule 15 confers a "right" to amend upon parties. **See Lacey v. Maricopa Cty.**, 693 F.3d 896, 927 (9th Cir. 2012), parties have twenty-one days "to amend as of right"); **Rick-Mik Enters., Inc. v. Equion Enters. LLC**, 532 F.3d 963, 977 (9th Cir. 2008), explaining in amendment context that until a responsive

pleading is filed or a final judgment of the case is entered, the Appellants had an absolute right to amend”); **Shaver v. Operating Eng’rs Local 428 Pension Trust Fund**, 332 F.3d 1198, 1201 (9th Cir. 2003) (before a responsive pleading was filed and before the case was dismissed, the Appellants “had an absolute right to amend their complaint”); **Sanford v. Motts**, 258 F.3d 1117, 1120 (9th Cir. 2001) ([Rule 15(a)] “gives an Appellants one opportunity to amend as of right.

10. pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 15(a), to seek leave of court before filing his Second Amended Complaint. The panel held that Rule 15(a) does not impose any particular timing mechanism governing the order in which amendments must be made. Because plaintiff’s First Amended Complaint, filed with consent of the opposing party, complied with Rule 15(a)(2) as an “Other amendment,” Appellants was permitted to file a timely Second Amended Complaint “as a matter of course” under Rule 15(a)(1), without seeking leave of court. Accordingly,

RAMIREZ V. CTY. OF SAN BERNARDINO.

11. The appellant's initial notices of appeal were presently due to be filed No Later Than February 6, 2026, Notice of Appeal (Civil) -

12. on February 19, 2026, Appellate filed her amended notices of appeal.

13. Pursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 15(a) and 15(a)(1), and 15(a)(2). And given that this motion is timely, the Appellants hereby submit this Motion to File their Amended Complaint. The Appellants don't seek leave to amend her complaint because the consent of all adverse parties was Pursuant to Rule 240, SCACR, and Pursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 15(a) and 15(a)(1), the Appellants hereby submit this Motion to File their Amended Complaint. The Appellants don't seek leave to amend Their complaint, as such, the Appellants respectfully request that the Court grant this motion to amend, and direct clerk to file the attached Amended EX-PARTE APPELLANT MOTION REQUESTING PERMISSION TO FILE AMENDED NOTICE OF APPEAL of the Appellants,

1. Attached hereto is the Official Receipt for the payment of the Appeal Fee For Case No. 2025CP2000274, the Date February 6, 2026, (See **Exhibit C**,

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14. The appellant Jennifer D. Powers, highly respect this

honorable Court, the appellant Jennifer D. Powers, is requesting this honorable to keep these cases separated Because on remanded from The Hon, Brian M. Gibbons Magistrate Judge, The Hon. Bradley Caulder Have two different Orders from the Probate Court.

15. Rule 15(a) provides: (1) Amending as a Matter of Course. A party may amend its pleading once as a matter of course, within:

(A)21 days after serving it,

16. In view thereof, APPELLANT most respectfully manifests sincerity and veracity in the relief prayed for herein and that the same is not in any way intended to delay the proceedings Thereof.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, it is most respectfully prayed of this Honorable Court that APPELLANTS be given No extra time because the on February 19, 2026, Appellate filed her amended notices of appeal within which file and submit APPELLANT Amended Notice of Appeal APPELLANT pray for such other reliefs as may be just and equitable in the premises.

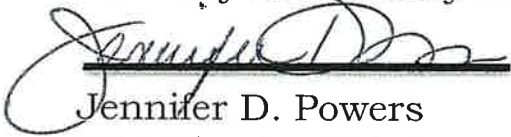
Greetings!

Please take notice that the APPELLANT, appellant Jennifer D. Powers hereinafter "The"), pro se, APPELLANT is submitting the foregoing EX-PARTE APPELLANT MOTION REQUESTING

PERMISSION TO FILE AMENDED NOTICE OF APPEAL APPELLANTS

Amended Notice of Appeal. for the consideration and approval of the Honorable Court without the Appellant seeking leave to Amend her complaint, this motion

Respectfully submitted on this 25th day of February 2026



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of my EX-PARTE APPELLANT MOTION REQUESTING PERMISSION TO FILE AMENDED NOTICE OF APPEAL, the APPELLANT Amended Notice of Appeal will be sent by regular to File APPELLANT Amended Notice of Appeal will be sent by regular U.S. Mail to The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals Post Office Box 11629 Columbia, South Carolina 29211, And by regular U.S. Mail to all parties of Record by Hand Delivery

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February 9, 2026



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and Attorney Brandon Keith Poston, individual, Respondents.

All future filings should be changed to reflect this title. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Clerk's office.

Very truly yours,


CLERK

cc: Gray Thomas Culbreath, Esquire
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EXHIBIT-B

(The South Carolina Court of Appeals)

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The South Carolina Court of Appeals

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Jasmine D. Smith, Deputy
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Date

CHECK ARMOR

Pay to the Order of SC Court of Appeals \$ 250.00
Two Hundred Fifty + 00/100 Dollars

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COLUMBIA, SC 29208

For #274 REP Estate 

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For # 275 REP Estate [Signature]

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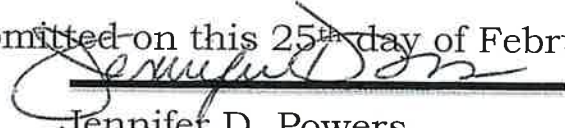
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PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served the AMENDED NOTICE OF APPEAL, on Brian Dumas,
Attorney LLC 718 Clemson Road Columbia, SC 29229 by depositing a copy of it
in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, on February 25th, 2026, address
Brian Dumas, Attorney LLC 718 Clemson Road Columbia, SC 29229 by
delivering a copy of it to his, at his 718 Clemson Road Columbia, SC 29229

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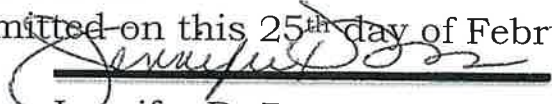
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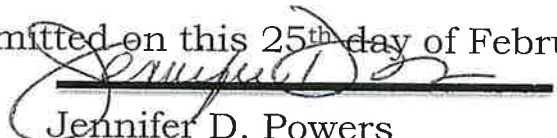
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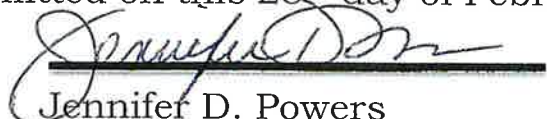
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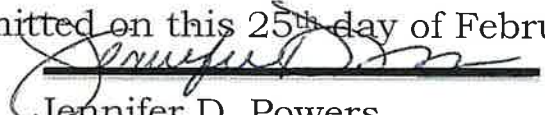
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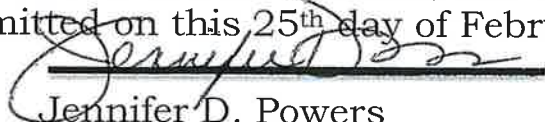
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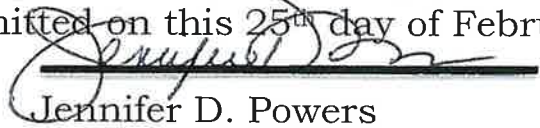
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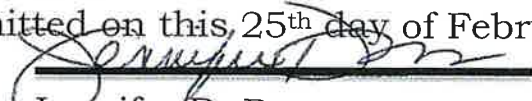
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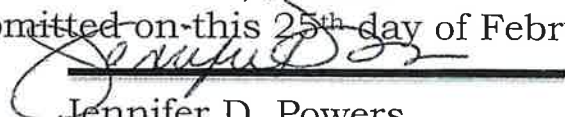
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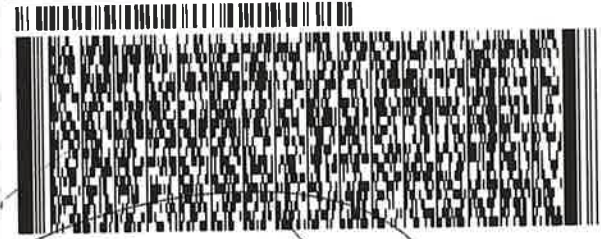
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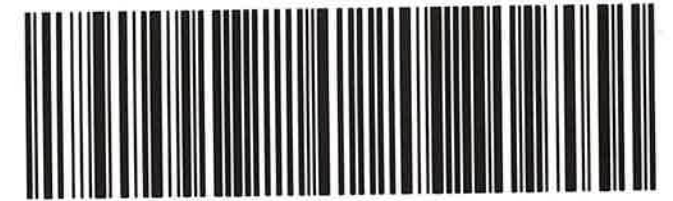


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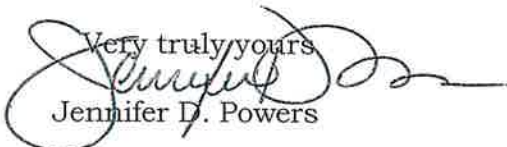
Dear Ms. Kitchings:

As requested by this Court, On February 9, 2026, See Exhibit A and
February 19, 2026, See Exhibit B, Appellate Submitting on Wednesday,
February 25, 2026, EX-PARTE APPELLANT MOTION REQUESTING
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Enclosed herewith please find the original and one copy of the
following:

1. Motion, to Amend Under Rule 15(a), Rule 15(a)(1), Rule 15(a)(2)
2. EX-PARTE APPELLANT MOTION REQUESTING PERMISSION
TO FILE AMENDED NOTICE OF APPEAL
3. A clerk is not permitted to refuse filing a document for form
as Required by rule 5.(d)(4) of the Federal Rules of Civil
Procedures specifically, state.
4. 5.(d)(4) Acceptance by the clerk. A clerk must not refuse to
file A paper solely because it is not in the form prescribed by
these rules or by a local rule or practice

Kindly return a time stamped copy of all documents to us. A return envelope Has been
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Very truly yours

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COME NOW, Pursuant to Rule 240, SCACR, appellant Jennifer D.
Powers hereinafter "The"), Appellants, pro se ("POWERS"), moves the
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Court allow the filing of the Appellant, EX-PARTE APPELLANT
MOTION REQUESTING PERMISSION TO FILE AMENDED NOTICE

OF APPEAL, in lieu of the original Notice of Appeal. In support of his/her motion, Appellant shows unto the Court:

COME NOW, Pursuant to Rule 240, SCACR, appellant Jennifer D. Powers Hereinafter "The"); Appellants, pro se ("POWERS") moves to amend their Notice of Appeal and moves for no extension of time in which to serve and file appellant Amended Notice of Appeal "To all parties of record" On Judgment Order entered on January 30, 2026, by Hon, Brian M. Gibbons Magistrate Judge/ Attorney Bar # 65091, Circuit Court Appellate Case No. 2025CP2000275, by granting the Defendants motion to dismiss and by dismissing Plaintiff's in this action as states:

1. That we are proceeding in a court of Constitutional Due Process under Article Ill of the Constitution of the United States for America, and the common law

2. Pursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 15(a) and 15(a)(1), Rule 15(a)(2), the Appellants hereby submit this Motion to File their Amended Complaint. The Appellant don't seek leave to Amend Their complaint, this motion is timely for having been filed by the Appellants on February 6, 2026, the Appellants Notice of Appeal of

Appellant, the Incoming (Notice of Appeal of Appellant) As requested by this Court on February 6, 2026,

3. on February 9, 2026, On February 23, 2026 Appellate received a letter from JENNY ABBOTT KITCHINGS CLERK, CATHERINE S. HARRISON CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK as followed: Re: Estate of Robert E. Powers Jr. v. The Hon. Bradley Caulder Appellate Case No. 2026-000263, Dear Ms. Powers: The Court received multiple notices of appeal in this case. The notices of appeal have been consolidated for consideration by the Court, and we anticipate receiving one record on appeal. The times for perfecting the appeal will run from the date of service of the last notice of appeal. **Exhibit A**

4. on February 19, 2026, Appellate filed her amended notices of appeal.

5. On February 23, 2026 Appellate received a letter from JENNY ABBOTT KITCHINGS CLERK, CATHERINE S. HARRISON CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK as followed: Re: Estate of Robert E. Powers Jr. v. The Hon. Bradley Caulder Appellate Case No. 2026-000263, Dear Ms. Powers: The Court has received your amended notices of appeal. If you wish to amend your notices of appeal, you must file a motion pursuant to Rule 240, South Carolina Appellate Court Rules. **Exhibit B**

6. The amended Motion is accompanied by EX-PARTE APPELLANT MOTION REQUESTING PERMISSION TO FILE AMENDED NOTICE OF APPEAL

7. The Rules provide that "leave to amend shall be freely given when justice so requires." FED.R.CIV. P. 15(a). And given that This motion is timely, and discovery is just beginning, there will be no prejudice to the current Respondent. As such, the Appellants respectfully request that the Court grant this motion to amend, and direct clerk to file the attached Second Amended brief.

8. Appellants of their right to file an amended complaint under Rule 15. If in conflict, the Local Rule must yield to the federal rule, here Rule 15. [**See Colgrove v. Battin**, 413 U.S. 149, 1618 (1973).

9. that Rule 15 confers a "right" to amend upon parties. **See Lacey v. Maricopa Cty.**, 693 F.3d 896, 927 (9th Cir. 2012), parties have twenty-one days "to amend as of right"); **Rick-Mik Enters., Inc. v. Equion Enters. LLC**, 532 F.3d 963, 977 (9th Cir. 2008), explaining in amendment context that until a responsive

pleading is filed or a final judgment of the case is entered, the Appellants had an absolute right to amend”); **Shaver v. Operating Eng’rs Local 428 Pension Trust Fund**, 332 F.3d 1198, 1201 (9th Cir. 2003) (before a responsive pleading was filed and before the case was dismissed, the Appellants “had an absolute right to amend their complaint”); **Sanford v. Motts**, 258 F.3d 1117, 1120 (9th Cir. 2001) ([Rule 15(a)] “gives an Appellants one opportunity to amend as of right.

10. pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 15(a), to seek leave of court before filing his Second Amended Complaint. The panel held that Rule 15(a) does not impose any particular timing mechanism governing the order in which amendments must be made. Because plaintiff’s First Amended Complaint, filed with consent of the opposing party, complied with Rule 15(a)(2) as an “Other amendment,” Appellants was permitted to file a timely Second Amended Complaint “as a matter of course” under Rule 15(a)(1), without seeking leave of court. Accordingly,

RAMIREZ V. CTY. OF SAN BERNARDINO.

11. The appellant's initial notices of appeal were presently due to be filed No Later Than February 6, 2026, Notice of Appeal (Civil) -

12. on February 19, 2026, Appellate filed her amended notices of appeal.

13. Pursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 15(a) and 15(a)(1), and 15(a)(2). And given that this motion is timely, the Appellants hereby submit this Motion to File their Amended Complaint. The Appellants don't seek leave to amend her complaint because the consent of all adverse parties was Pursuant to Rule 240, SCACR, and Pursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 15(a) and 15(a)(1), the Appellants hereby submit this Motion to File their Amended Complaint. The Appellants don't seek leave to amend Their complaint, as such, the Appellants respectfully request that the Court grant this motion to amend, and direct clerk to file the attached Amended EX-PARTE APPELLANT MOTION REQUESTING PERMISSION TO FILE AMENDED NOTICE OF APPEAL of the Appellants,

1. Attached hereto is the Official Receipt for the payment of the Appeal Fee For Case No. 2025CP2000274, the Date February 6, 2026, (See **Exhibit C**,

2. Attached hereto is the Official Receipt for the payment of the Appeal Fee For Case No. 2025CP2000275, the Date February 6, 2026, (See **Exhibit D**,

14. The appellant Jennifer D. Powers, highly respect this

honorable Court, the appellant Jennifer D. Powers, is requesting this honorable to keep these cases separated Because on remanded from The Hon, Brian M. Gibbons Magistrate Judge, The Hon. Bradley Caulder Have two different Orders from the Probate Court.

15. Rule 15(a) provides: (1) Amending as a Matter of Course. A party may amend its pleading once as a matter of course, within:

(A)21 days after serving it,

16. In view thereof, APPELLANT most respectfully manifests sincerity and veracity in the relief prayed for herein and that the same is not in any way intended to delay the proceedings Thereof.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, it is most respectfully prayed of this Honorable Court that APPELLANTS be given No extra time because the on February 19, 2026, Appellate filed her amended notices of appeal within which file and submit APPELLANT Amended Notice of Appeal APPELLANT pray for such other reliefs as may be just and equitable in the premises.

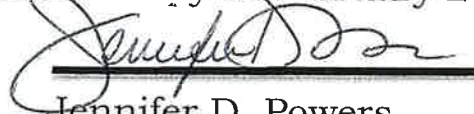
Greetings!

Please take notice that the APPELLANT, appellant Jennifer D. Powers hereinafter "The"), pro se, APPELLANT is submitting the foregoing EX-PARTE APPELLANT MOTION REQUESTING

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Amended Notice of Appeal. for the consideration and approval of the Honorable Court without the Appellant seeking leave to Amend her complaint, this motion

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Jennifer D. Powers
708 Chester St.
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Re: Estate of Robert E. Powers Jr. v. The Hon. Bradley Caulder
Appellate Case No. 2026-000263

Dear Ms. Powers:

The Court received multiple notices of appeal in this case. The notices of appeal have been consolidated for consideration by the Court, and we anticipate receiving one record on appeal. The times for perfecting the appeal will run from the date of service of the last notice of appeal.

The title in this matter has been changed to read as follows:

**Estate of Robert E. Powers Jr., Jennifer D. Powers, Personal Representative,
Appellant,**

v.

The Hon. Bradley Caulder as an individual, Law Office of Barbara E. Brunson, as guardian ad litem for Robert Edward Powers, Jr., Barbara Brunson, individual, Family Services, Inc., d/b/a Origin SC, as Conservator for Robert E. Powers, Jr., Caprice Atterbury, as an individual, Traci Strickland, as an individual, Leslie P. Taylor, as Guardian for Robert E. Powers, Jr., Leslie P. Taylor, individual, Attorney Brian Dumas, individual,

and Attorney Brandon Keith Poston, individual, Respondents.

All future filings should be changed to reflect this title. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Clerk's office.

Very truly yours,


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cc: Gray Thomas Culbreath, Esquire
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Dear Ms. Powers:

The Court has received your amended notices of appeal. If you wish to amend your notices of appeal, you must file a motion pursuant to Rule 240, South Carolina Appellate Court Rules.

Very truly yours,

Jasmine D. Smith, Deputy
CLERK

cc: Gray Thomas Culbreath, Esquire
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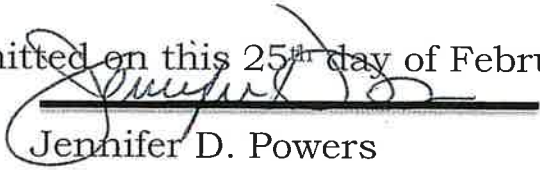
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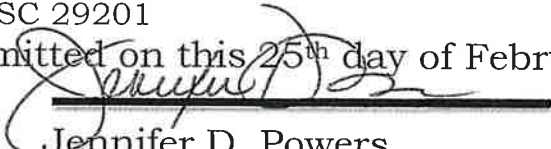
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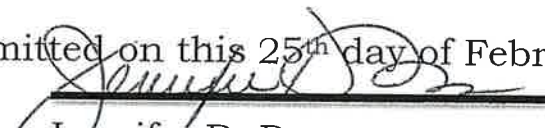
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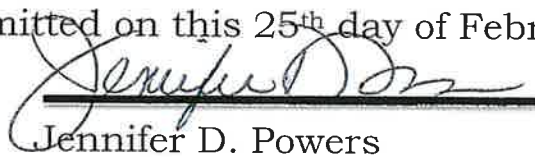
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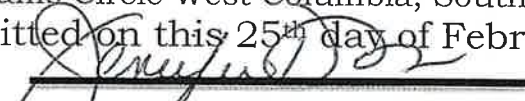
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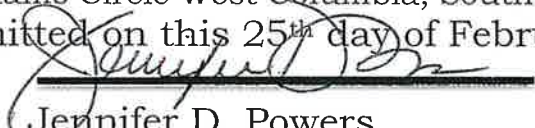
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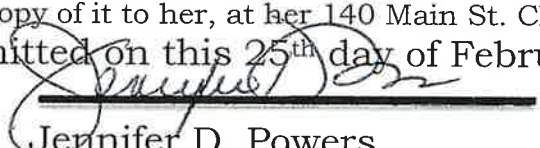
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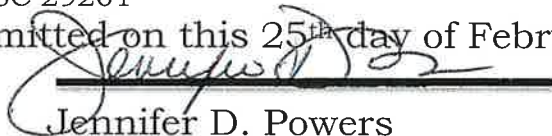
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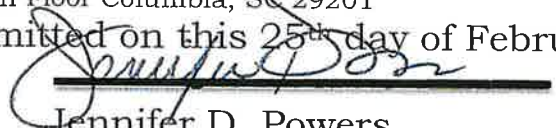
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Good afternoon,

Attached hereto and served upon you, please find Respondents Barbara Brunson and The Law Office of Barbara E. Brunson's Return to Appellant's Motion to File Amended Notice of Appeal which will be submitted to the South Carolina Court of Appeals today. A copy of this message will be affixed to the Proof of Service, which will also be submitted today.

Kind regards,
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