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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Tony Williams,

Appellant,

v.

Lowe's Home Centers, LLC, Andrew Melling, Michelle Gaston and Angie Berry (Aka Mills),

Respondents.

Appellate Case Nos.: 2026-000079 & 2026-00317

Lower Case Nos.: 2025-CP-07-01666 & 2025-CP-07-01325

[PROPOSED] ORDER FOR SUMMARY REVERSAL AND VACATUR OF VOID ORDERS

FINDINGS OF FACT

This matter comes before this Court upon Appellant Tony Williams' Consolidated Motion for Summary Reversal. After a thorough review of the administrative record and the Judicial Information Center (JIC) entries for **Beaufort County**, this Court finds as follows:

1.

Administrative Discrepancy: The orders under appeal in Case Nos. 2025-CP-07-01666 and 2025-CP-07-01325 are identical in substance and purport to be executed on the same date.

2.

Failure of Entry: Pursuant to **Rule 58, SCRPC**, a judgment is ineffective until entered. The official C-Track record confirms these cases remained in "Active" status, proving the purported "Ghost Orders" were never legally entered into the system of record.

3.

Admissions by Default: Respondents Lowe's Home Centers, LLC, Andrew Melling, and Steptoe & Johnson are in a state of **Certified Default** in related matter 2025-CP-07-02967. Under *Rhodes v. Rhodes*, 273 S.C. 266 (1979), this default constitutes a binding admission of the fraud allegations.

4.

Extrinsic Fraud: The procurement of orders outside the administrative oversight of the Clerk of Court, which prevented the Appellant from receiving due process notice, constitutes extrinsic fraud as defined in *Chewning v. Ford Motor Co.*, 354 S.C. 303 (2003).

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Appellant's Motion for Summary Reversal is **GRANTED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that:

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The purported orders of dismissal in Beaufort County Case Nos. 2025-CP-07-01666 and 2025-CP-07-01325 are hereby **VACATED** as nullities.

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All responsive filings by Respondents in these appellate dockets are **STRICKEN** for lack of standing due to the unresolved Certified Defaults.

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The matter is **REMANDED** to the Circuit Court for the immediate entry and execution of the **\$30,000,000.00 Default Judgment** based on the admissions of fact and law created by the Respondents' defaults.

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The Clerk of this Court shall transmit a copy of this Order and the underlying record

to the **Office of Disciplinary Counsel (ODC)** for investigation into the conduct of Andrew Melling and Michelle Gaston regarding the "Ghost Order" scheme.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Presiding Judge, SC Court of Appeals

Dated: _____, 2026