

In the Supreme Court
of South Carolina

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APPEAL FROM BEAUFORT COUNTY

R. Ferrell Cothran, Jr., Circuit Court Judge
Appellate Case No. 2024-002098

315 Corley CW LLC, et al.

Respondents,

v.

Palmetto Bluff Development, LLC, et al.

Petitioners.

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE BRIEF OF AMICUS CURIAE

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Pursuant to Rule 213 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules, the South Carolina Restaurant and Lodging Association (the “SCRLA”) respectfully requests permission to file an amicus curiae brief addressing the issue of the consistent and predictable enforcement of arbitration agreements in South Carolina in light of this Court’s precedent and federal law.

SCRLA is a statewide non-profit association representing more than 2,400 restaurant, lodging, and hospitality-related businesses across South Carolina. Its members routinely rely on arbitration provisions in commercial agreements to manage litigation risk and allocate dispute resolution costs. The issues presented in this case have implications well beyond the parties to the dispute: the outcome of this case will directly affect the enforceability of arbitration agreements and will directly affect the contractual expectations of SCRLA’s members.

SCRLA’s proposed amicus brief does not attempt to duplicate either of the parties’ arguments. Rather, it addresses the broader commercial and institutional considerations implicated by the Court’s decision, including South Carolina’s longstanding jurisprudence favoring the enforcement of arbitration agreements according to their terms and the importance of maintaining consistency with federal arbitration law and prevailing national standards. SCRLA believes its perspective will assist the Court in understanding the wider commercial impact of the issues presented.

Because SCRLA has an identifiable interest in this matter satisfying Rule 213 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules, it respectfully requests that the Court accept its conditionally-filed brief, which is attached to this motion.

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