

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM SUMTER COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas

The Honorable Michael Jordan
Master in Equity

CASE NO. 2025-002220

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Celestine Parker
Loretta Black

Appellants,

v.

John Doe, Jane Doe, Richard Roe, Mary Roe, Infants, Insane Persons and Incompetents, Being Fictitious Names, Designating as a Class Any Unknown Person or Persons, Whose True Names are Unknown, Who May be and Heir, Distributee, Devisee, Legatee, Widow, Widower, Issue, Personal Representative, Executor, Administrator, Successor, Creditor, Assign and/or alienee of Phillis Weathers; Valarie McCray, Harry Burns, Alma Jackson, Lynn Neely, Matthew Peterson, Carolyn Dupree, Gary Dupree, Gregory Dupree, Edith Davis, May Thelma McGee, Rodney Pitts, Denise Pitts, Sheryl James, Marie Gillespie, Eugene Canty, Ethel Swain, Amanda Canty, Connie Canty, Alexander Canty, Clarence Canty Jr., Daniel Canty, Luther Brogdon, Everette Brogdon, Naomi Brogdon, Obar Davis, Wilaba Brogdon, Michelle Thompson, Harold Brogdon Jr., Janice Brogdon, Lillie Mae Cleaveland Payton, Brian Canty, Gloria Canty, Herbert Canty, Randolph Gaymon, Alvin L. Gaymon, Ernestine Gaymon, Aaliyaa Hasan, Taheedah Griffin, Eugene Dowling, Geline Graham, Christopher Dowling, Sheryl Dowling, Donna Dowling, Sherly Richards, Gail White, Debra White, Dana White, Damon White, Danielle White, Also Any and All Other Persons or Legal Entities, Known and Unknown, having or Claiming Any Right, Title, Estate, Interest In or Lien Upon the Real Property Described in the Complaint,

Defendants,

of whom Valarie McCray is Respondent.

**APPELLANT'S OPPOSITION TO APPELLEE'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION
OF TIME OR IN THE ALTERNATIVE, REQUEST FOR LIMITED FINAL
EXTENSION**

Appellant respectfully opposes Appellee's Motion for Extension of time to file its brief and would show the Court as follows:

1. Prior Extension and Failure to Comply

Appellee was previously granted a thirty (30) day extension of time to file its brief. Appellee failed to file within that extended period.

Thereafter, the Court issued an order allowing an additional ten (10) days for compliance. Appellee at that time requested another extension of thirty (30) days.

2. Repeated Delay

This appeal has been pending since January, 2026. Appellee's repeated failure to comply with both extended and the Court's subsequent directive reflects a continuing lack of diligence in prosecuting its position.

3. Timing of Current Motion

Appellee filed the present Motion for Extension of time on April, 14, 2026, after failing to comply with prior deadlines and the same day that Appellant filed a Motion to Proceed Without Appellee's Brief. The timing of this request weighs against granting the relief sought.

4. Insufficient Showing for Requested Relief

Appellee's reference to a death in the family occurring March 29, 2026 and the funeral on April 4, 2026. While Appellant is sympathetic, the motion does not adequately explain:

- 1..The failure to comply with deadlines preceding those dates..
2. The failure to seek relief promptly following the Court's ten-day order,
3. Why an additional thirty (30) days, rather than a shorter period, is necessary.

5. Prejudice to Appellants

Appellee's continued delay has prejudiced Appellant by prolonging resolution of this appeal and delaying final review by this Court.

6. Relief Requested

For the foregoing reasons, Appellant respectfully request that this Court:

a. Deny Appellee's Motion for Extension of Time and grant Appellant's Motion to Proceed Without Appellee's Brief,

or, in the alternative,

b. If the Court is inclined to show additional time, limit any extension to no more than seven (7) days, designate it as a final extension and state that no further extensions will be granted.

Respectfully submitted,


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VALARIE McCRAY-----RESPONDENT

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned Pro Se hereby certifies that a true copy of the Appellant's Motion in the above referenced case, has been served upon counsel of record by mailing a copy in an envelope properly addressed with postage prepaid on April 14, 2026 to the following

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