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SC Court of Appeals

Re- Horry (2023CP2602193)

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing regarding the ongoing court case currently before the Court of Appeals. The original case was decided in my favor in February 2024. Prior to the hearing, both parties, as well as the opposing party's attorney, understood and agreed that a final decision would be made on that date and that the matter would be concluded.

Unfortunately, because the opposing party did not receive the outcome they desired, they have now filed an appeal. Initially, I did not believe it was necessary to submit an additional statement, as I felt the photographic evidence spoke for itself. However, a recent event has reinforced my concerns regarding the quality of the work performed by Mr. Shirley.

A repair that was completed by Mr. Shirley has now failed, resulting in a portion of my ceiling collapsing. I am submitting photographs with this letter for the court's review. As shown in the photographs, the repair work was not completed in a professional or workmanlike manner.

When the ceiling gave way, a piece of wood fell to the floor. My husband immediately recognized it as part of one of his wooden pallets, which he uses for woodworking projects. Upon further inspection, it became apparent that Mr. Shirley had used pallet wood, along with paint stir sticks, as part of the ceiling repair. The pallet wood still contained rusty nails that had not been removed prior to installation. Rather than performing a proper repair, the pallet wood was simply placed over the existing drywall to create an overlap, allowing a new piece of drywall to be attached.

This method of repair is sloppy, unprofessional, and inconsistent with accepted construction practices. The condition of the failed repair and the materials used are clearly visible in the photographs. The recent collapse demonstrates the poor workmanship that was the subject of the original case and further supports my position regarding the quality of the work performed.

Mr. Shirley's argument appears to focus on the fact that Christopher Martin has not appeared in court. However, while Christopher's name may be listed on the property, that does not mean he resides at this home. This residence is my home and the home of my seven children.

Christopher was not a party to the contract with Mr. Shirley and had no involvement in the decisions regarding this project. I was solely responsible for making decisions concerning my home, as I have always been.

To my knowledge, Christopher may have been present on one occasion only to ensure the house was unlocked for Mr. Shirley while I was out of town. At that time, my son had been admitted to Boston Children's Hospital due to a serious illness, which was the reason for my absence during the project.

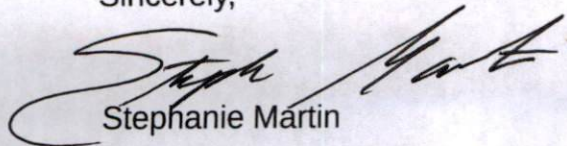
Had I been home and able to personally observe the work being performed, knowing what I know now, I would have stopped the project within the first few days. My absence

was unavoidable and directly related to my son's medical care, not a lack of involvement or oversight regarding my home.

I respectfully ask the court to take this additional information and the attached photographs into consideration when reviewing the appeal.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Steph Martin', with a large, stylized initial 'S' and 'M'.

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