

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF BEAUFORT

) IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
) IN THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
)

Alfonzo J. Howard, #333399,

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CASE NO. 2025-CP-07-01357

v. Applicant JERRI ANN ROSENEAU
BEAUFORT COUNTY, S.C.
CLERK OF COURT

**FINAL ORDER
OF DISMISSAL**

State of South Carolina,

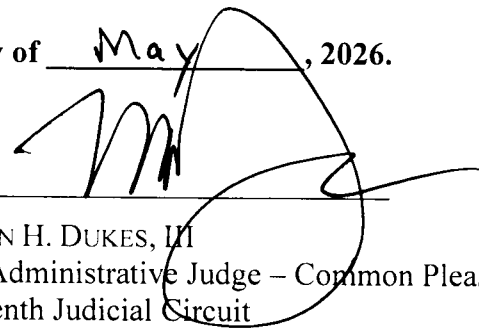
Respondent.

This matter is before the Court by way of an application for post-conviction relief (PCR) filed by Alfonzo J. Howard (Applicant) on May 30, 2025. Respondent filed a return and motion to dismiss the application as successive and untimely. After reviewing the records and pleadings, this Court agreed this application should be summarily dismissed and provisionally dismissed the action by way of an Amended Conditional Order of Dismissal filed March 5, 2026, giving Applicant twenty days from the date of service of said Order to show why the dismissal should not become final. Attached to this Final Order and incorporated herein by reference is a Certificate of Service indicating Applicant was served the Conditional Order of Dismissal on March 24, 2026.

On October 21, 2025, March 16, 2026, and April 6, 2026, Applicant filed responses to the conditional order of dismissal. In his responses, Applicant re-raises the argument from his application that the 2006 SLED form attached to his application is newly-discovered evidence. This form does not meet the threshold for newly-discovered evidence. Applicant has not set forth a valid basis to set aside the statute of limitations, nor has he set forth any cognizable claim that could not have been raised in his prior PCR applications. Viewed in the light most favorable to Applicant, Applicant has not set forth a sufficient reason why the statute of limitations or prohibition against successive applications should not apply. Thus, there is no basis for an evidentiary hearing.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that for the reasons set forth in the Court's Conditional Order of Dismissal and in this Final Order of Dismissal, this PCR application is hereby **DENIED AND DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE**. Should Applicant wish to procure appellate review, he must file and serve a notice of appeal within thirty days of this Order. See Rule 203, SCACR. Applicant's attention is directed to Rule 243, SCACR, for the procedures following the filing and service of the notice of appeal.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED this 1 day of May, 2026.



MARVIN H. DUKES, III
Chief Administrative Judge – Common Pleas
Fourteenth Judicial Circuit

B. F. Y., South Carolina

FORM 4

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
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**JUDGMENT IN A CIVIL CASE
CASE NUMBER 2025CP0701357**

Alfonzo J Howard		South Carolina State Of	
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PLAINTIFF(S)

DEFENDANT(S)

Submitted by:	Attorney for: ☐ Plaintiff ☐ Defendant
	☐ Self-Represented Litigant

DISPOSITION TYPE (CHECK ONE)

- ☐ **JURY VERDICT.** This action came before the court for a trial by jury. The issues have been tried and a verdict rendered.
- ☐ **DECISION BY THE COURT.** This action came to trial or hearing before the court. The issues have been tried or heard and a decision rendered. ☐ See Page 2 for additional information.
- ☐ **ACTION DISMISSED (CHECK REASON):** ☐ Rule 12(b), SCRPC; ☐ Rule 41(a), SCRPC (Vol. Nonsuit);
☐ Rule 43(k), SCRPC (Settled); ☐ Other: _____
- ☐ **ACTION STRICKEN (CHECK REASON):** ☐ Rule 40(j) SCRPC; ☐ Bankruptcy;
☐ Binding arbitration, subject to right to restore to confirm, vacate or modify arbitration award; ☐ Other: _____
- ☐ **STAYED DUE TO BANKRUPTCY**
- ☐ **DISPOSITION OF APPEAL TO THE CIRCUIT COURT (CHECK APPLICABLE BOX):**
☐ Affirmed; ☐ Reversed; ☐ Remanded; ☐ Other: _____

NOTE: ATTORNEYS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR NOTIFYING LOWER COURT, TRIBUNAL, OR ADMINISTRATIVE AGENCY OF THE CIRCUIT COURT RULING IN THIS APPEAL.

IT IS ORDERED AND ADJUDGED: ☒ See attached order; (formal order to follow) ☐ Statement of Judgment by the Court:

ORDER INFORMATION

FINAL ORDER OF DISMISSAL

This order ☒ ends ☐ does not end the case.
 Additional Information for the Clerk: _____

INFORMATION FOR THE JUDGMENT INDEX

Complete this section below when the judgment affects title to real or personal property or if any amount should be enrolled. If there is no judgment information, indicate "N/A" in one of the boxes below.

Judgment in Favor of (List name(s) below)	Judgment Against (List name(s) below)	Judgment Amount To be Enrolled (List amount(s) below)

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The judgment information above has been provided by the submitting party. Disputes concerning the amounts contained in this form may be addressed by way of motion pursuant to the SC Rules of Civil Procedure. Amounts to be computed such as interest or additional taxable costs not available at the time the form and final order are submitted to the judge may be provided to the clerk.

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s/ M. H. Dukes, III
Circuit Court Judge

2785
Judge Code

5/1/2026
Date

For Clerk of Court Office Use Only

This judgment was entered on **May 12, 2026**, and a copy mailed first class or placed in the appropriate attorney's box on **May 13, 2026**, to attorneys of record or to parties (when appearing pro se) as follows:

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ATTORNEY(S) FOR THE PLAINTIFF(S)

ATTORNEY(S) FOR THE DEFENDANT(S)

Court Reporter



Jerri Ann Roseneau - Clerk of Court

Court Reporter:

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING DECISION BY THE COURT AS REFERENCED ON PAGE 1.

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