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**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA IN
THE COURT OF APPEALS**

Appeal From Horry County Court of Common Pleas

Alan D. Clemmons, Master-in-Equity

Appellate Case No. [TO BE ASSIGNED]

Trial Court Case No. 2025-CP-26-00500

Shaftesbury Green Property Owners Association, Inc., Respondent,

v.

Cedric Javus Browne, et al., Defendants; Cedric Javus Browne, Appellant, Pro Se.

**MOTION TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS AND SUPPORTING FINANCIAL
AFFIDAVIT (S.C. Code Ann. § 15-7-50; Rule 3(b)(1), SCRCP; Rule 240(d), SCACR)**

I. MOTION

Appellant Cedric Javus Browne, appearing Pro Se, respectfully moves this Court, pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 15-7-50, Rule 3(b)(1), SCRCP, and Rule 240(d), SCACR, for leave to proceed in forma pauperis and for waiver of all applicable filing fees and costs in connection with this appeal — including the Notice of Appeal filing fee under Rule 203, SCACR, the Rule 241 petition filing fee under Rule 240(d), SCACR, and all additional fees and costs that may arise during the pendency of this appeal, including but not limited to fees associated with the Record on Appeal and any brief-related costs — for the duration of this appeal. In support, Appellant submits the sworn Financial Affidavit set forth below.

Rule 3(b)(1), SCRCP: “a plaintiff who desires to file an action in forma pauperis shall file... a motion for leave to proceed in forma pauperis, together with... an affidavit showing the plaintiff’s inability to pay the fee required to file the action... A presumption that the plaintiff is unable to pay the fee... shall be created if the plaintiff’s net household income is less than or equal to the Poverty Guidelines established... by the United States Department of Health and

Appellant is currently unemployed with no personal income. His household of three persons — Appellant, his significant other, and his minor child (age 17) — relies on informal financial assistance from family members to meet basic living expenses. Appellant’s net household income is below the federal poverty guidelines for a household of three, creating the presumption of inability to pay under Rule 3(b)(1), SCRPC. Denial of this motion would effectively deny Appellant access to appellate review of a judgment that, if executed before this Court can act, will result in the permanent loss of his home.

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1. I am the Appellant in the above-captioned matter and submit this affidavit in support of my Motion to Proceed In Forma Pauperis.

Member 1: Cedric Javus Browne (Appellant) — age: 46
Member 2: Significant other — relationship: partner — age: 53
Member 3: Minor child — relationship: child — age: 17

Appellant: Currently Unemployed. No employment income.
Significant other: Unemployed— income: \$ 0 per month

Appellant's wages: \$ 0.00

Significant other's wages: \$ 0.00

Government benefits (SSI, SNAP, disability, unemployment, etc.): \$ 350 Snap

Informal financial assistance from family members: \$ 2500 (approximate)

Other income (describe): There is no income. I will have income starting in October. My family has been helping since significant other's health decline.

TOTAL MONTHLY HOUSEHOLD INCOME: \$ 0

5. MONTHLY HOUSEHOLD EXPENSES:

Mortgage (633 Notting Hill Court, Conway, SC 29526): \$ 1,938.60

Utilities (electric, water, gas): \$ 300

Food / groceries: \$ 1000

Transportation (gas, car payment, insurance): \$ 500

Other (describe): Medications a month \$ 80

TOTAL MONTHLY EXPENSES: \$ 3,818.60

6. ASSETS:

Real property: 633 Notting Hill Court, Conway, SC 29526 (subject property of this foreclosure action). Horry County tax assessed value: \$ 283,073.00 The property is encumbered by the following liens, which substantially diminish or eliminate any usable equity:

First mortgage — Nationstar Mortgage, LLC (original principal): \$ 191,369.00 +

HUD Partial Claim Mortgage (June 23, 2022): \$ 35,820.86

HUD Partial Claim Mortgage (January 22, 2024): \$ 19,974.04

Total encumbrances (approximate, excluding accrued interest): \$ 247,163.90+ No other real property owned.

Bank / savings accounts: None of significant value.

Vehicles: None of significant value.

Other assets: None. Appellant has no significant assets beyond the subject residence.

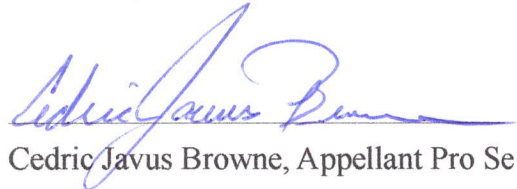
7. FEES AND COSTS AT ISSUE: The initial filing fees for which waiver is sought consist of the Notice of Appeal filing fee of approximately \$250.00 under Rule 203, SCACR, and the Rule 241 petition filing fee of approximately \$50.00 under Rule 240(d), SCACR,

totaling approximately \$300.00. Appellant further requests that this Court's order granting in forma pauperis status extend to all filing fees and costs arising during the pendency of this appeal, including but not limited to any fees associated with preparation of the Record on Appeal and any other fees that may be assessed during briefing or further appellate proceedings. Appellant is unable to pay any such fees without depriving his household of the necessities of life.

8. I believe in good faith that I am entitled to appellate review of the issues presented and that this appeal is not frivolous. The grounds for appeal are set forth in the accompanying Emergency Petition for Writ of Supersedeas.

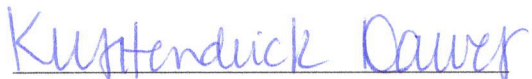
9. The statements in this affidavit are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.



Cedric Javus Browne, Appellant Pro Se
633 Notting Hill Court, Conway, SC 29526

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15 day of July, 2026.



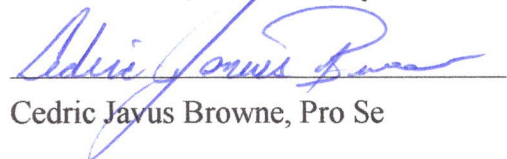
Notary Public for South Carolina

My Commission Expires: March 16, 2030



CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on July 15, 2026, I served a copy of the foregoing Motion and Affidavit upon Mark A. Nappier, Esq., Joye, Nappier, Risher & Hardin, LLC, 3575 Highway 17 Business, Murrells Inlet, SC 29576, by USPS—US Mail with sufficient postage.



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