

The South Carolina Court of Appeals

Hill Family Trust 2008 of Arizona, and Yvonne Herold,
Respondents,

v.

Teresa Hill, Appellant.

Appellate Case No. 2025-001651

ORDER

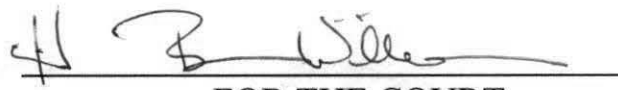
On July 6, 2026, Respondents filed a renewed motion to dismiss the appeal, arguing Appellant had failed to pay the statutorily required bond and had been evicted, Appellant's initial brief "rests almost entirely on fabricated legal authority," and Appellant had not preserved anything for this court's review. Appellant filed a return, opposing the motion but acknowledging the authorities cited in her initial brief were not proper and requesting leave to submit a corrected brief. Respondents filed a reply.

After careful consideration, we deny Respondent's renewed motion to dismiss the appeal without prejudice to Respondents addressing the issue in their initial brief. *See Skydive Myrtle Beach, Inc. v. Horry County*, 428 S.C. 638, 642, 837 S.E.2d 485, 487 (2020) (explaining "[a] case is moot 'when judgment, if rendered, will have no practical legal effect upon existing controversy'" (quoting *Mathis v. S.C. State Highway Dep't*, 260 S.C. 344, 346, 195 S.E.2d 713, 715 (1973))); *id.* (holding the case before it "was not moot because a decision to reverse the ejectment order could have the practical effect of putting Skydive back in possession of the bird hangar"); *id.* (explaining that an appeal may be rendered moot when a tenant vacates the premises voluntarily (citing *Berry v. Zahler*, 220 S.C. 86, 87, 66 S.E.2d 459, 459-60 (1951))); S.C. Code Ann. § 27-40-800(f)(2)(2007) ("The tenant's failure to comply with the terms of the

undertaking entitles the landlord to execution of the judgment for possession"). Additionally, Appellant's request to amend her initial brief is denied.¹

On July 7, 2026, Appellant filed a motion that requested the following relief: to reconsider assessment of the second notice of appeal filing fee or, in the alternative, to require Respondents to rent a rental truck so that Appellant can remove items from the building that is the subject of the ejectment action. Respondents did not file a return.

After careful consideration, the relief requested in Appellant's July 7, 2026 motion is denied. The second filing fee must be paid within fifteen days of the date of this order.



FOR THE COURT C.J.

Columbia, South Carolina

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¹ We take this opportunity to caution Appellant not to use non-existent citations and quotations. *See* Rule 269, SCACR ("Where an appeal, petition, motion[,] or return is frivolous or taken solely for the purposes of delay, or is not in compliance with these Rules, the appellate court may upon its own motion or that of a party, after ten (10) days[] notice, impose upon offending attorneys or parties such sanctions as the circumstances of the case and discouragement of like conduct in the future may require.").