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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

APPEAL FROM HORRY COUNTY
B. Alex Hyman, Circuit Court Judge
Case No.: 2025-CP-26-08617

Weldon Boyd,Appellant,

v.

Mark TinsleyRespondent.

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Pursuant to Rule 203(b)(1), SCACR, Appellant Weldon Boyd (hereafter “Appellant”) appeals from the trial court’s orders as follows, copies of which are attached hereto and incorporated by reference:

(1) Form 4 Order Denying Motion to Reconsider (re: “oral denial”), dated June 18, 2026 that was received by Appellant on June 18, 2026; (2) Form 4 Order Granting Motion to Dismiss dated June 18, 2026 (re: motion to dismiss) filed June 18, 2026, received by Appellant on June 18, 2026; (3) Form 4 Order June 22, 2026 Granting Motion to Dismiss, received by Appellant on June 22, 2026; (4) Form 4 Order June 22, 2026 Denying Motion to Reconsider¹ June 22, 2026, received by Appellant on June 22, 2026; (5) Order July 14, 2026, received by Appellant on July 14, 2026; (6) Order denying Motion to Reconsider dated July 28, 2026 that was received by Appellant on July 28, 2026; Verbal ruling Denying Motion to Strike on June 10 2026.

¹ This order states, *inter alia*, “. . . Plaintiff’s Motion to Strike is respectfully DENIED. A formal order to follow.” No formal order has been received by Appellant/counsel that addresses Plaintiff’s Motion to Strike.

The transcript of proceedings of June 10, 2026 has already been received by Appellant and will not be separately ordered. Rule 207(a)(1), SCACR.

Respectfully submitted,

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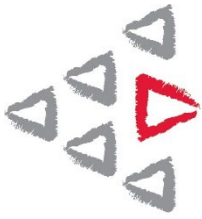
PROOF OF SERVICE

I, Beth Cogan, an employee with the Law Offices of Desa Ballard, do hereby certify that on July 30, 2026, I served a copy of the **Notice of Appeal**, in the above-captioned case on the following individuals by electronic mail using their email address listed in the Attorney Information System, addressed as follows:

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Re: *Weldon Boyd v. Mark B. Tinsley*
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Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Enclosed for filing, please find a Notice of Appeal and Proof of Service for the above-referenced matter. Pursuant to paragraph (3)(c) of the Supreme Court's amended administrative order dated May 6, 2022 ("Methods of Electronic Filing and Service Under Rule 262 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules" originally dated August 25, 2021) a check for the filing fee is being forwarded separately via US mail.

Our office is already in possession of the June 10, 2026 transcript. According to our calculations, the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of matter will therefore be due on Monday, August 30, 2026. If I am mistaken as to that deadline date, please inform my office as soon as possible.

By copy of this letter and as evidenced by the Proof of Service, this filing has been served upon counsel for the Respondent and is being filed with the Trial Court. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office. With warm personal regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

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Enclosures

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