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APPEAL FROM GREENVILLE COUNTY
In the Court of Common Pleas for the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit

The Honorable Jessica A. Salvini
The Honorable Eugene C. Griffith, Jr.

Case No. 2024-CP-23-03329

Joseph M. Plaxco Plaintiff/Respondent

vs.

Paul Hulsey, Cherie Durand, Kimberly Thomason, Devon
Puriefoy, Desa Ballard, Mayra Michalski, Luis Michalski,
and John & Jane Does ##1-14 Defendants

Of whom Kimberly Thomason, Devon Puriefoy, Desa
Ballard, Mayra Michalski, and Luis Michalski are..... Appellants

NOTICE OF APPEAL BY DEFENDANTS KIMBERLY THOMASON, DEVON
PURIEFOY, DESA BALLARD, MAYRA MICHALSKI, AND LUIS MICHALSKI

Defendants/Appellants Kimberly Thomason, Devon Puriefoy, Desa Ballard, Mayra Michalski, and Luis Michalski ("Appellants") hereby appeal from the following orders entered in this matter:

1. October 3, 2024 Form 4 Order denying Defendant Desa Ballard's motion to dismiss Amended Complaint entered by the Honorable Jessica A. Salvini (attached hereto as Exhibit A);
2. October 3, 2024 Form 4 Order denying Defendant Luis Michalski's motion to dismiss Amended Complaint entered by the Honorable Jessica A. Salvini (attached hereto as Exhibit B);
3. October 3, 2024 Form 4 Order denying Defendant Mayra Michalski's motion to dismiss Amended Complaint entered by the Honorable Jessica A. Salvini (attached hereto as Exhibit C);

4. October 3, 2024 Form 4 Order denying Defendants Kimberly Thomason and Devon Puriefoy's motion to dismiss Amended Complaint entered by the Honorable Jessica A. Salvini (attached hereto as Exhibit D);
5. October 29, 2024 Initial Order Regarding Motion to Reconsider entered by the Honorable Jessica A. Salvini (attached hereto as Exhibit E);
6. November 27, 2024 Final Order Regarding Motion to Reconsider entered by the Honorable Jessica A. Salvini (attached hereto as Exhibit F);
7. April 4, 2025 Form 4 Order denying Defendants' Motion to Set Aside Default and granting Plaintiff's Motion to Enter Default Judgment entered by the Honorable Eugene C. Griffith, Jr. (attached hereto as Exhibit G);
8. April 17, 2025 Order denying Defendants' Motion to Set Aside Default and granting Plaintiff's Motion to Enter Default Judgment entered by the Honorable Eugene C. Griffith, Jr. (attached hereto as Exhibit H);
9. March 12, 2026 Order and Final Judgment entered by the Honorable Eugene C. Griffith, Jr. (attached hereto as Exhibit I);
10. March 12, 2026 Order for Sanctions entered by the Honorable Eugene C. Griffith, Jr. (attached hereto as Exhibit J);
11. July 15, 2026 Order Denying Post Trial Motions entered by the Honorable Eugene C. Griffith, Jr. (attached hereto as Exhibit K); and
12. July 15, 2026 Order Denying Defendants' Motion for Judgment as a Matter of Law entered by the Honorable Eugene C. Griffith, Jr. (attached hereto as Exhibit L)

Appellants received written notice of entry of the Order Denying Post Trial Motions (Exhibit K) and the Order Denying Defendants' Motion for Judgment as a Matter of Law (Exhibit L) on July 15, 2026. This Notice of Appeal is timely served pursuant to Rule 203(c), SCACR.

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PROOF OF SERVICE OF NOTICE OF APPEAL

I certify that I have served the Notice of Appeal of Defendants/Appellants Kimberly Thomason, Devon Puriefoy, Desa Ballard, Mayra Michalski, and Luis Michalski on the above-referenced parties by email in accordance with the South Carolina Supreme Court's Order re: Methods of Electronic Filing and Service Under Rule 262 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules (As Amended April 24, 2024) (Appellate Case No. 2020-000447), on August 11, 2026, addressed to their attorneys of record:

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Importance: High

Attached hereto please find the Notice of Appeal (with Exhibits) of Defendants/Appellants Kimberly Thomason, Devon Puriefoy, Desa Ballard, Mayra Michalski, and Luis Michalski along with the Proof of Service thereof. This is being served upon you as counsel in this matter in accordance with the South Carolina Supreme Court's Order re: Methods of Electronic Filing and Service Under Rule 262 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules (As Amended April 24, 2024) (Appellate Case No. 2020-000447). We will be electronically filing the attached with the South Carolina Court of Appeals and the Clerk of Court of Greenville County. Thank you and have a great day.

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