

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

GREENVILLE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

COUNTY OF GREENVILLE

Jason Premo,

ORDER

Appellant

vs.

2023-CP-23-02310

Alro Steel Corporation,

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Respondent

SC Court of Appeals

A Default Judgment was rendered in the Greenville County Summary Court on October 16, 2020, by Judge Jacquelyn I. Duckett. Jason Premos (Defendant/Appellant), failed to "Answer" the complaint. Plaintiff/Respondent, Alro Steel Corporation, filed a default action, which was granted. A Default Judgment Order was filed on October 16, 2020.

Pursuant to the record from the court below, Appellant was properly served. Appellant signed and accepted service of the complaint; and received a notice to answer to the complaint within 30 days by virtue of an attachment to the complaint. Appellant failed to respond. Subsequently, a default judgement was rendered.

Appellant filed a Motion to Vacate Judgment on May 9, 2023. Appellant requested a new trial and an opportunity to present testimony.

In response to Appellant's Motion to Vacate / Set Aside Judgement the lower court found that Appellant erred by not following up with the court to ensure his answer was received after stating he had mailed his motion to dismiss. Appellant later filed an Answer and response, which were untimely. The Default Judgement was entered October 16, 2020.

Appellant never contacted the lower court to determine a status of the case filing, in which he was a litigant for over three years after acknowledging receipt of the lawsuit.

According to the record, Appellant failed to communicate with the court to ensure his answer had been received by all parties even though he declared he had mailed his response.

The lower Court ruled there was no sufficient reason to set aside this default judgment for the following reasons:

- 1) Appellant acknowledged receipt of the lawsuit with his signature.
- 2) Appellant failed to "answer" within 30 days to the complaint as required.
- 3) Appellant did not take action until almost three years after the Entry of the Default Order.
- 4) Appellant failed to communicate with either party or the Court in the action for over three years.

The lower court denied Appellant's request to set aside and vacate this judgment and found there was no good cause to do so.

Based Upon the foregoing findings and conclusion of the Court, the Magistrate's Court Order is hereby affirmed. See Rules 55 and 60, SCRCP

IT IS SO ORDERED.

July 2, 2026



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So Ordered

Vernon F. Dunbar