

The South Carolina Court of Appeals

David M. Duree and David M. Duree & Assocs., P.C.,
Appellants,

v.

Glory Mace, Respondent.

Appellate Case No. 2026-001176

ORDER

On May 19, 2026, Appellants filed a notice of appeal from a circuit court order voiding and vacating a foreign judgement for lack of proper service and denying Appellants' motion for sanctions. On June 2, 2026, Respondent filed a motion to dismiss or, in the alternative, to hold this appeal in abeyance "pending resolution of the related action pending before the court of common pleas for Greenville County," Case No. 2026-CP-23-03455. Respondent argues "because Appellant[s] initiated a second proceeding addressing the same underlying case, there is no longer a live controversy requiring appellate review of the vacated order." Appellants filed a return in opposition arguing "the fact that [R]espondent acknowledges that the second registration of the Illinois judgement in South Carolina has been personally served on her does not moot the issues raised in this appeal that (1) she was properly served and participated in the initial South Carolina case which should not have been dismissed, and (2) that the [t]rial [c]ourt should have heard, on the merits appellants' motion for sanctions against [R]espondent for arguing that she did not have minimum contact with the state of Illinois when she entered into a contract there which was preformed entirely in the state of Illinois." Appellant's return further states, Appellants filed this appeal "then filed a second South Carolina registration of the Illinois judgement, which was personally served on [R]espondent, who has filed a motion to dismiss the second South Carolina registration of the Illinois judgement on the ground that [R]espondent did not have minimum contacts with the state of Illinois. Appellants will be responding."

After careful consideration, we grant Respondent's motion to hold this appeal in abeyance until a final decision is issued in Case No. 2026-CP-23-03455. Appellants shall provide this court with written status updates every thirty days. Failure to file status updates will result in dismissal of this appeal.



J.

FOR THE COURT

Columbia, South Carolina

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cc:

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