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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

APPEAL FROM DORCHESTER COUNTY
COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

R. Kirk Griffin, Circuit Court Judge

Case No. 2025CP1802897

Appellate Case No.: 2026-001739

Nelson L. Bruce, **Appellant/Plaintiff,**

v.

Credit Karma, LLC; Intuit Inc.; and Unknown Does 1–100, **Respondents/Defendants.**

APPELLANT'S NOTICE OF COMPLIANCE AND RESPONSE REGARDING TRANSCRIPT REQUEST

Appellant Nelson L. Bruce respectfully presents this Notice in response to the Clerk's letter dated September 9, 2026, directing Appellant to provide proof concerning the timely ordering of the transcript.

1. **Transcript Request**

On August 27, 2026, Appellant electronically transmitted a request for the transcript of the March 30, 2026 hearing in Dorchester County Court of Common Pleas Civil Action No. **2025CP1802897**. The request concerned the hearing conducted before the Honorable R. Kirk Griffin. Appellant sent the request by email to the transcript-processing address, **transcripts@sccourts.org**, and to the Dorchester County Clerk of Court. Appellant also completed and transmitted the South Carolina Judicial Branch Transcript Request Form

identifying the proceeding, case number, hearing date, appeal number, and requested delivery method.

A true and correct copy of the August 27 email, the completed transcript-request form, and the subsequent follow-up correspondence is attached collectively as **Exhibit 2**.

2. Follow-Up Correspondence and Current Status

After receiving no response concerning the cost, payment procedure, court reporter assignment, or anticipated completion date, Appellant sent follow-up emails on September 1 and September 5, 2026. Those communications again requested confirmation that the transcript request had been received and asked for information concerning the time required to complete the transcript.

The September 5 correspondence was directed to the transcript-processing address and copied to counsel for Respondents. The attached correspondence further reflects that the Dorchester County Clerk's Office advised Appellant that transcript requests were handled outside that office and provided no completion date.

As of the filing of this Notice, Appellant has not received a response from the court reporter or transcript-processing office establishing a completion date or requesting payment or a deposit.

3. Timeliness and Compliance

Appellant filed the Amended Notice of Appeal on August 19, 2026. The transcript request was transmitted electronically on August 27, 2026, within ten days after the filing and service of the Amended Notice of Appeal and before August 29, 2026.

Appellant presented that the request was timely under S.C. App. Ct. R. 207(a)(1), which requires an appellant in an appeal from the circuit court to make satisfactory written

arrangements with the court reporter within the time allowed for ordering the transcript. Appellant used the Judicial Branch transcript-request form and transmitted the request electronically to the designated transcript-processing address.

Appellant has also contemporaneously provided the Court, the Office of Court Administration, and opposing counsel with copies of the transcript-related correspondence, as required by S.C. App. Ct. R. 207(a)(1). The transcript request and related correspondence are included in **Exhibit 2**.

4. Request for Relief

Appellant respectfully requests that the Court:

1. Accept this Notice and **Exhibit 2** as proof that Appellant timely requested the transcript;
2. Note that the request was made electronically on August 27, 2026;
3. Permit the transcript request to proceed while Appellant awaits the court reporter's response concerning payment, production, and completion; and
4. Decline to dismiss the appeal based on the current absence of a completed transcript.

Respectfully presented,

Date: September 10, 2026

/s/ Nelson L. Bruce
Nelson L. Bruce, Plaintiff/Appellant
144 Pavilion Street, Summerville, South Carolina 29483
Telephone: (843) 437-7901
Email: leonbruce81@yahoo.com

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on September 10, 2026, I served a true and correct copy of this **Appellant's Notice of Compliance and Response Regarding Transcript Request**, including **Exhibit 2**, upon the following by electronic mail (email) and/or United States Mail:

Carmen V. Ganjehsani
Richardson, Plowden & Robinson, P.A.
1900 Barnwell Street
Post Office Drawer 7788
Columbia, South Carolina 29202
Email: cganjehsani@richardsonplowden.com

Drew Hamilton Butler
Richardson, Plowden & Robinson, P.A.
235 Magrath Darby Boulevard, Suite 100
Mount Pleasant, South Carolina 29464
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EXHIBIT 2

Transcript Request and Related Correspondence

1. August 27, 2026 email transmitting the transcript request;
2. Completed South Carolina Judicial Branch Transcript Request Form dated August 27, 2026;
3. September 1, 2026 follow-up email;
4. September 5, 2026 follow-up email and related response from the Dorchester County Clerk's Office.

Fw: Request to order Transcript Nelson Bruce VS Credit Karma Llc, et al.

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To: transcripts@sccourts.org

Date: Thursday, August 27, 2026 at 02:30 PM EDT

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Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2026 8:41 AM
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well as, ALL officers, agents, employees, assigns, and the like in service to the parties to this email or who the parties represent agree and affirm under penalty of contempt that they will not argue, controvert, oppose, or otherwise protest any claims related to this agreement in ANY future remedial proceeding(s)/action(s), including binding arbitration and confirmation of the award in the District Court of the United States, the state supreme court, the U.S. Supreme Court, the district court, or any other venue the party bring the claim may determine. Should the court and or arbitrator alleged that a signature of both parties is required to be binding, it is mutually agreed, consented to and assented by the parties to this agreement that my electronic communication constitutes as my signature agreeing to this agreement by the failure to reject the arbitration clause in the timeframe allowed. The parties agree that the policies and procedures of AAA (AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION) whereas a designated arbitrator shall be chosen at random, who is duly authorized or any other arbitration association chosen by the claimant, and in the event of any physical or mental incapacity to act as arbitrator or to accept to be arbitrate the matter, the claimant shall retain the authority to select any neutral(s)/arbitrator(s) that qualify pursuant to the common law right to arbitration, as the arbitration process is a private remedy decided upon between the parties, and with respects this agreement, the defaulting party waives any and all rights, services, notices, and consents to the undersigned and or the undersigned's representative selection of the arbitrator thereby constituting agreement, and any controversy or claim arising out of or relating in any way to this Agreement or with regard to its formation, interpretation or breach, and any issues of substantive or procedural arbitrability shall be settled by arbitration, and the arbitrator may hear and decide the controversy upon evidence produced, and not based on personal opinion, legalese, legal terminology, legal technicalities, statutes, codes, ordinances, regulations, but within the scope of this herein agreement according to its terms and conditions, and must do so even if and or although a party who was duly notified of the arbitration proceeding did not appear; that the Undersigned deems necessary to enforce the "good faith" of ALL parties hereto within without respect to venue, jurisdiction, law, and forum the Undersigned deems appropriate. "All rights are reserved."

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TRANSCRIPT REQUEST FORM

Pursuant to Rule 207 and 607 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules, the transcribed paper copy is the official record of court proceedings. You may request a transcript by completing this form and emailing it to the Court Reporter/Transcriptionist and to South Carolina Court Administration at transcripts@sccourts.org. If WebEx or DCRP were used to capture the record, please indicate below and send the form to transcripts@sccourts.org.

Requestor's Information

Full Name	Law Firm/Agency	Phone Number
Nelson L. Bruce	N/A	843-437-7901

Email Address: leonbruce81@yahoo.com

Mailing Address: 144 Pavilion St., Summerville, SC 29483

Is the requestor a party in the case? ☑ Yes ☐ No

If no, does the requestor represent a party? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, name of party

Transcript Information

Docket Number	Full Case Caption (i.e. State v. John Doe or John Smith v. Jane Smith)	Circuit / Family
2025CP1802897	Nelson Bruce v. Credit Karma LLC, et al.	Circuit ☑ Family ☐

Date(s) of Proceeding	County	Appeal pending	Death Penalty
March 30, 2026	~~Dorchester~~	☑ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☑ No

Presiding Judge: Griffin, R. Kirk

Opposing Counsel(s) (name and email address)
Drew Butler dbutler@richardsonplowden.com
Carmen Ganjehsani cganjehsani@richardsonplowden.com

Special Circumstances
Is the hearing to be transcribed one of the following:
- ☐ Termination of parental rights
- ☐ Adoption
- ☐ Any actions involving child custody/visitation.

Court Reporter(s): ☐ WebEx ☐ DCRP

Delivery Timeframe
(check Rule 607 for current page rates)
- ☐ Quote
- ☐ Rough Draft
- ☐ Overnight delivery
- ☐ Daily delivery
- ☐ Expedited delivery (7 days) **Due on/before:**
- ☑ Regular delivery (60 days)

Portion of proceeding to be transcribed
- ☑ Entire hearing
- ☐ Voir dire by juror
- ☐ Jury selection
- ☐ Plaintiff's opening statement
- ☐ Defendant's opening statement
- ☐ Plaintiff's closing arguments
- ☐ Defendant's closing arguments
- ☐ Entire direct examination
- ☐ Entire cross examination
- ☐ Entire redirect
- ☐ Examination of witness (W) by attorney (A)
  - **W:**
  - **A:**
- ☐ Ruling of the court

Delivery Method *(additional fees may apply)*
- ☑ PDF / Email
- ☐ Hard Copy/Priority Mail **($50 + shipping)**
- ☐ PDF & Hard Copy/Priority Mail **($50 + shipping)**

Responsible Payor
- ☑ Private / Self
- ☐ Court Appointed Counsel
  - *Appeals Attorney*
  - *Email*
- ☐ Other

Next Hearing Date

Requestor's Signature: Nelson L. Bruce **Date:** 8-27-2026
(Typed name will serve as signature)

NOTE: Requests will be processed pursuant to Rule 207 and 607 of the SCACR. Rule 607(h) governs the fees for transcripts, which are not provided for free or at reduced rates to **any** party, regardless of indigent status. Please promptly submit your payment in the method of payment requested, in order for the transcript to be produced. In some cases, a deposit may be required before the transcript can be placed in the production queue. You may also request a quote before deciding to order. ***If you need to cancel the transcript request for any reason, you are responsible for paying for the pages of the transcript that have already been completed at the time of the cancellation.***

If you are ordering a transcript pursuant to Rule 207(a)(1), SCACR, you must contemporaneously furnish all parties, the Office of Court Administration, and the clerk of the appellate court with copies of all correspondence with the court reporter or transcriptionist.

Re: Request to order Transcript Nelson Bruce VS Credit Karma Llc, et al.

From: Leon (leonbruce81@yahoo.com)

To: transcripts@sccourts.org

Cc: dbutler@richardsonplowden.com; cganjehsani@richardsonplowden.com

Date: Saturday, September 5, 2026 at 01:52 AM EDT

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On Thursday, September 3, 2026 at 02:50:34 PM EDT, Priscilla L. Bolen <pbolen@dorchestercountysc.gov> wrote:

Mr. Bruce,

Good afternoon,

I can only provide you with the email and mailing address to request. I can not assist you any further because this is not handled in our office.

Thanks,

Priscilla L. Bolen
Chief Deputy Clerk Of Court

Dorchester County Clerk of Court
5200 E Jim Bilton Blvd, St. George, SC 29477
Office: 843-563-0108
Email: PBolen@dorchestercountysc.gov

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