

The South Carolina Court of Appeals

Lachelle Murdock, Appellant,

v.

267 Grand Cypress Landlord, LLC, Respondent.

Appellate Case No. 2026-001951

ORDER

On September 2, 2026, Appellant filed notice of appeal from an August 18, 2026 circuit court order that dismissed an appeal to the circuit court on the basis "Appellant failed to appear and failed to comply with the Bond to Stay." Also on September 2, 2026, Appellant filed a motion to stay and a motion to proceed *in forma pauperis*. Respondent did not file a return to either motion.

After careful consideration, Appellant's motion to stay is denied. See S.C. Code Ann. § 27-40-800(f)(1) (2007), as amended by Act No. 252 (H.3387), § 4, 2026 S.C. Acts (eff. June 30, 2026) ("Upon appeal to the Supreme Court or to the court of appeals, a court shall not stay an execution of a judgment for ejectment unless the tenant files an affidavit with the proper appellate court, in which the tenant promises to pay to the landlord the amount of rent, determined by order of the judge of the circuit court, as it becomes due periodically after judgment was entered. Once the affidavit is accepted by the court, the judge of the court having jurisdiction shall order stay of execution upon the undertaking.").

Further, the motion to proceed *in forma pauperis* is denied pursuant to *Ex parte Martin*, 321 S.C. 533, 471 S.E.2d 134 (1995). The filing fee must be paid within fifteen days of the date of this order.



FOR THE COURT J.

FILED
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Columbia, South Carolina

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