

## FORM 4

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF SPARTANBURG  
IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

## JUDGMENT IN A CIVIL CASE

C. A. NOs. 2023-CP-42-04152,  
2023-CP-42-04153

Varesa GOODMAN, Individually and as PR of the  
ESTATE of Dennis EDWARDS,

THI OF SOUTH CAROLINA AT  
SPARTANBURG, LLC, d/b/a MAGNOLIA  
MANOR - SPARTANBURG, et al,

PLAINTIFF(S)

DEFENDANT(S)

Submitted by: the Court

Attorney for : ☐ Plaintiff ☐  
Defendant  
or  
☐ Self-Represented Litigant

## DISPOSITION TYPE (CHECK ONE)

☐ **JURY VERDICT.** This action came before the court for a trial by jury. The issues have been tried and a verdict rendered.

☒ **DECISION BY THE COURT.** This action came to trial or hearing before the court. The issues have been tried or heard and a decision rendered. ☐ See Page 2 for additional information.

☐ **ACTION DISMISSED** (CHECK REASON): ☐ Rule 12(b), SCRCP; ☐ Rule 41(a), SCRCP (Vol. Nonsuit); ☐ Rule 43(k), SCRCP (Settled); ☐ Other

☐ **ACTION STRICKEN** (CHECK REASON): ☐ Rule 40(j), SCRCP; ☐ Bankruptcy; ☐ Binding arbitration, subject to right to restore to confirm, vacate or modify arbitration award; ☐ Other

☐ **STAYED DUE TO BANKRUPTCY**

☐ **DISPOSITION OF APPEAL TO THE CIRCUIT COURT** (CHECK APPLICABLE BOX):  
☐ Affirmed; ☐ Reversed; ☐ Remanded; ☐ Other

**IT IS ORDERED AND ADJUDGED:** ☒ See formal order to follow ☒ Statement of Judgment by the Court:

This matter is before this Court on **MOTION** of the defendants **TO STAY** this civil action and to **COMPEL** to binding **ARBITRATION** pursuant to an agreement between the parties.

After consideration of the memoranda submitted in support and opposition to the motion, the argument of counsel, the applicable rules, statutory, and case law, this Court finds that the defendants' **MOTION** should be and **IS** therefore **DENIED**.

Plaintiff's counsel is instructed to prepare and submit a proposed formal order for the Court's consideration.

## ORDER INFORMATION

This order ☐ ends ☒ does not end the case.

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Additional Information for the Clerk

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J. Derham Cole

Circuit Court Judge

2053

Judge Code

01/15/2025

Date

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MATTHEW W. CHRISTIAN, Esq.

MATTHEW O. RIDDLE, Esq.

Attorney(s) for Plaintiff(s)

Attorney(s) for Defendant(s)

AMY W. COX, Clerk of Court

Court Reporter: MOFFITT

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