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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

APPEAL FROM THE GREENVILLE COUNTY COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
THE HONORABLE WILLIAM C. MCMASTER, III
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

Appellate Case No. 2025-002555
Case No. 2023-CP-23-03724

Andrew J. Jaeger and SLP Advisory, LLC. Appellants,

v.

WCM Global Wealth, LLC Respondent.

RESPONDENT’S RETURN IN OPPOSITION TO APPELLANT’S MOTION TO
REINSTATE

Pursuant to Rule 240(e) of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules (“SCACR”), Respondent WCM Global Wealth, LLC, (“Respondent”) by and through its undersigned counsel of record, respectfully submits this Return to Appellants’ Motion to Reinstate.¹ The grounds for this motion are more fully set forth herein.

¹ Appellant also filed a Motion for Extension of Time which Respondent opposes. By letter dated September 15, 2026, Jasmine D. Smith, Deputy Clerk for the South Carolina Court of Appeals indicated that, “no action will be taken on the motion for extension of time due to this appeal being dismissed at this time.” Therefore, Respondent has not directed a Return at that motion at this time. However, Respondent reserves the right to do so at the appropriate time and hereby, out of an abundance of caution, indicates its opposition to the Motion for Extension of Time.

SUMMARY

Appellants' three sentence Motion to Reinstate is indicative of their disregard for this Court, its rules, and the bad faith in which this appeal was brought. Appellants bemoan that the appeal "involves a substantial right" and Appellants would be prejudiced if the Court fails to reinstate the case. However, the Appellant was not concerned enough about this "substantial right" to (1) ever file an initial brief, let alone a timely one, or (2) oppose Respondent's Motion to Dismiss. Appellants' squandered their opportunity and has provided no reason for this Court to provide them a second chance. The Motion should be denied and a remittitur should be entered.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On December 18, 2025, Appellants filed their Notice of Appeal challenging four orders:

- (1) "the order of The Honorable William C. McMaster, III, dated and filed May 1, 2025, granting Respondent's Motion to Compel ...";
- (2) "the order of The Honorable William C. McMaster, III, dated and filed June 3, 2025, denying Appellants' Motion to Alter or Amend the May 1 Order ...";
- (3) "the order of The Honorable William C. McMaster, III, dated and filed September 26, 2025, holding Appellants in contempt of Court ..."; and
- (4) "the order of the Honorable William C. McMaster, III, dated and filed December 1, 2025, denying Appellants' Motion to Alter or Amend the September 26 Order."

Following the initiation of this appeal, on March 18, 2026, the Court sent a letter to Appellants addressing the fact that they had failed to submit their initial brief, failed to notify the Court that they had not received their transcript, and failed to submit any information that a court reporter was granted an extension. The letter explained that if the Appellants did not respond within ten days of the date of the letter the appeal would be dismissed. On March 23, 2026, Appellants

responded to the Court indicating that the transcript had been ordered but not received to date. On May 7, 2026, Appellants filed a letter stating that they had received the transcript but failing to actually state the date on which the transcript was received.² Regardless, Appellants admit they received the transcript on or before May 7, 2026. Thirty days elapsed and Appellants failed to file an initial brief. Therefore, on June 9, 2026, Respondent filed a Motion to Dismiss. Appellants failed to file any opposition to that Motion. On September 1, 2026, this Court granted the Motion to Dismiss. To date, Appellant has failed to file an initial brief.

ARGUMENT

The Appellants have failed to comply with the requirements of Rule 208, South Carolina Appellate Court Rules by failing to file their initial brief within thirty days of receiving the transcript. South Carolina Appellate Court Rule 260 states, “[w]henver it appears that an appellant or a petitioner has failed to comply with the requirements of these Rules, the clerk **shall** issue an order of dismissal, which shall have the same force and effect as an order of the appellate court.” Rule 260, SCACR (emphasis added). In addition, South Carolina Appellate Court Rule 208 states, “Upon the failure of the appellant to file and serve his brief within the time prescribed, the clerk of the appellate court **shall** sign an order dismissing the appeal, and the appeal shall not be reinstated except as provided by Rule 260.” Rule 208, SCACR (emphasis added).

Appellants’ Motion to Reinstate provides no explanation, excuse or reasonable basis for their failure to timely file an initial brief. Appellants failed to abide by this Court’s rules and the Court properly dismissed the appeal. The Motion should be denied on this basis alone.

Further, the “[f]ailure of a party to timely file a return may be deemed a consent by that party to the relief sought in the motion or petition.” Rule 240(e), SCACR. When faced with a

² Respondent has not been party to any communications with the Court reporter.

Motion to Dismiss the appeal based on their failure to timely file an Initial Brief, Appellants did not then take the opportunity to oppose that motion, seek an extension of time to file their initial brief, or make any appearance at all. They sat on their rights then too. Their failure to oppose the Motion to Dismiss should be deemed their consent to it or, at the very least, evidence of their disregard for this Court's rules and their "substantial right." The Motion should be dismissed on this basis as well.

CONCLUSION

For the reasons stated herein, the Respondents respectfully request that the Court deny Appellants' Motion to Dismiss, enter a remittitur and for such other and further relief as the Court deems just and appropriate.

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served Appellant, through Appellant's Counsel, with a copy of the **Respondent's Return in Opposition to Appellant's Motion to Reinstate** via email on September 18, 2026, by sending as following:

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I further certify that, upon request, bound and unbound copies of the Respondent's Return in Opposition to Appellant's Motion to Reinstate shall be sent in a timely manner upon request from either the Court of Appeals or Appellant's Counsel in a manner consistent with the South Carolina Supreme Court Order, dated April 30, 2024. (See Appellate Case No. 2022-001647).

Respectfully submitted,

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