

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM RICHLAND COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas
The Honorable Stephanie N. Lawrence
Master in Equity for Richland County

Appellate Case No. 2026-001622

NewRez, LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing, Respondent,
v.
Keiven K. Minter; Palmetto Citizens Federal Credit Union; Hidden Pines Homeowners
Association, Inc., Defendants,
Of which Keiven K. Minter is the Appellant.

APPELLANT'S RESPONSE AND CLARIFICATION TO DEFICIENCY LETTER DATED
SEPT 21, 2026

September 25, 2026

VIA ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION & FIRST-CLASS MAIL

The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals
1220 Senate Street / P.O. Box 11629
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

RE: Response / Clarification to Deficiency Letter Dated September 21, 2026

Appellate Case No. 2026-001622 (Lower Court C/A No. 2025-CP-40-01229)

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Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Appellant Keiven K. Minter, appearing pro se, respectfully submits this response to the Court's deficiency letter dated September 21, 2026, to clarify the procedural posture of the September 18, 2026 filing.

1. CLARIFICATION OF FILING INTENT (RULE 204(a), SCACR):

Appellant's submission dated September 18, 2026, was NOT intended as a new, second, or subsequent Notice of Appeal. Rather, it was submitted strictly as a courtesy status update pursuant to Rule 204(a), SCACR, to notify this Court that Appellant timely served and filed a Rule 59(e), SCRPC, Motion to Alter or Amend Judgment in the lower court on September 18, 2026, challenging the Master-in-Equity's Order dated September 17, 2026.

2. THE SEPTEMBER 17 ORDER IS NON-FINAL AND INTERLOCUTORY:

Under settled South Carolina Supreme Court precedent (*Swing v. Swing*, 445 S.C. 340, 914 S.E.2d 158 (2025); *Elam v. S.C. Dep't of Transp.*, 361 S.C. 9, 602 S.E.2d 772 (2004)), the timely filing of a Rule 59(e) motion automatically suspends the finality of the underlying order. Because Appellant's Rule 59(e) motion remains pending before the Master-in-Equity, the September 17 Order is currently non-final and interlocutory. Consequently, filing a new Notice of Appeal at this time would be legally premature under Rule 204(a), SCACR.

3. PRAYER FOR CLARIFICATION:

Because Appellant is not instituting a new appeal, no additional \$250.00 filing fee or Form 1 Notice of Appeal is required or appropriate at this time. Appellant respectfully requests that the Court:

- a. Treat the September 18, 2026 filing strictly as a Status Notice under Rule 204(a), SCACR;
- b. Deem the September 21, 2026 deficiency letter satisfied and withdrawn based on this clarification; and
- c. Confirm that Appellate Case No. 2026-001622 remains in abeyance pending the lower court's written disposition of Appellant's pending Rule 59(e) motion.

Thank you for your consideration and assistance in maintaining an accurate appellate record.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Appellant Keiven K. Minter, appearing pro se, do hereby certify that on
September 18, 2026, I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing:

**I. APPELLANT'S RESPONSE AND CLARIFICATION TO DEFICIENCY LETTER
DATED SEPT 21, 2026**

upon counsel of record listed below, contemporaneously with the filing thereof or shortly
thereafter, via one or more of the following authorized delivery methods:

- ☒ Electronic Mail / Electronic Transmission
- ☒ Hand-Delivery to Counsel's Office of Record
- ☒ United States First-Class Mail, Postage Prepaid

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Dated: September 25, 2026 Columbia, South Carolina

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(To be completed by recipient at the law firm of Bell Carrington Price & Gregg, LLC)

I hereby acknowledge receipt of a physical copy of the foregoing document(s) hand-delivered on behalf of Keiven K. Minter on this 25th day of September, 2026.

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Signature: Ashtley Boone

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