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SC Court of Appeals

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF HORRY

IN THE MATTER OF:

The Estate of Norma Jean Staton,

John C. Thomas, as Successor Personal
Representative of the Estate of Norma Jean
Staton,

Petitioner,

vs.

Victoria Ishee, Gwyn Staton, and Scott Staton,
Respondents.

IN THE PROBATE COURT

CASE NO.: 2013ES2601185

**ORDER ON VICTORIA ISHEE'S
MOTION TO ALTER OR AMEND**

ORDER

ALLEN BEVERLY JR.
PROBATE JUDGE

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PROBATE COURT
HORRY COUNTY, S.C.

THIS MATTER originally came before me pursuant to a Petition for Declaratory Judgement filed October 28, 2015, by Gwen Staton and Victoria Ishee as Co-Successor Personal Representatives of the Estate of Norma Jean Staton. John C. Thomas, Esq., as Successor Personal Representative, was substituted a Petitioner by Order of the Court on February 11, 2021. A hearing on the Petition was held March 1, December 13 and December 16, 2024. By Final Order dated and filed August 12, 2025, the Court issued its ruling on the Petition for Declaratory Judgement. On August 26, 2025, Victoria Ishee through counsel filed a Motion to Alter or Amend the Order for Declaratory Relief Date Aug 12, 2025, in which she asserts the Court erred in the following particulars:

1. The Court's ruling that "...Scott Staton shall reimburse Gwyn Staton and Victoria Ishee the total sum of \$60,428.00, to be equally divided between Gwyn Staton and Victoria Ishee, for the funds transferred to him from the joint account held in the name of Decedent, Gwyn Staton and Victoria Ishee";
2. The Court's ruling that "... all other property which is part of Decedent's residuary probate estate removed by any Respondent shall be returned to the Estate's Successor Personal Representative within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order...";

A hearing was held on the Motion for Reconsideration on November 17, 2025.

Based upon a review of the pleadings, the evidence and testimony presented at the original hearing in this matter and the arguments of counsel at the hearing on November 17, 2025, I grant the Motion to Alter or Amend, as follows:

1. The paragraph on Page 12 of the Order on Successor Personal Representative's Petition for Declaratory Judgement which currently states:

"IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Scott Staton shall reimburse Gwyn Staton and Victoria Ishee the total sum of \$60,428.00, to be equally divided between Gwyn Staton and Victoria Ishee, for the funds transferred to him from the joint account held in the name of Decedent, Gwyn Staton and Victoria Ishee"

is amended as follows:

"IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Scott Staton shall reimburse Victoria Ishee the total sum of \$60,428.00, to be equally divided between Victoria Ishee, for the funds transferred to him from the joint account held in the name of Decedent, Gwyn Staton and Victoria Ishee".

2. The Order on Successor Personal Representative's Petition for Declaratory Judgement is amended to add the following paragraph:

"IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Victoria Ishee shall file with the Court and provide the Successor Personal Representative and all counsel an affidavit containing an itemized list of any property deemed a probate asset pursuant to this Order in her possession within fifteen (15) days of the date of this Order and shall file a Proof of Delivery with the Court stating the date the affidavit containing an itemized list was mailed to the Successor Personal Representative and the parties' counsel. The parties shall have thirty (30) days from the date of mailing to advise the Respondent Ishee and the Successor Personal Representative in writing which items of such property they request, if any. The party requesting the item of such property shall be responsible for the cost of retrieving or shipping that item. If no request is received by Respondent Ishee or the Successor Personal Representative within thirty (30) days, the Successor Personal Representative is authorized to release said property to Respondent Ishee."

IT IS SO ORDERED.

September 14, 2026
Conway, South Carolina


Honorable Charles R. Rhodes Jr.
Chief Associate Judge
Horry County Probate Court