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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

APPEAL FROM OCONEE COUNTY
THE HONORABLE R. SCOTT SPROUSE, CIRCUIT JUDGE

Appellate Case No.: 2026-002232

IN THE MATTER OF:
Jeanette Wilbanks Sanders,
(Alleged Incapacitated Individual)

Carol Johnson Law Firm. P.A.,.....Appellant,
v.

John Wilbanks, Jeanette Wilbanks Sanders
And Steve Holbrooks, Defendants,

Of which John Wilbanks is theRespondent.

**AMENDED
NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Pursuant to Rule 203(b)(1), SCACR, Appellant Carol Johnson Law Firm. P.A (hereafter “Appellant”) appeals from the trial court’s orders as follows, copies of which are attached hereto and incorporated by reference:

- (1) Order Denying Attorney’s Fees and Costs to Appellant against Respondent John Wilbanks dated September 9, 2026 that was received by Appellant on September 9, 2026.
- (2) Form 4 Order Denying Motion for Reconsideration filed October 13, 2026 that was received by Appellant on October 13, 2026.

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Respectfully submitted,

s/ Desa Ballard

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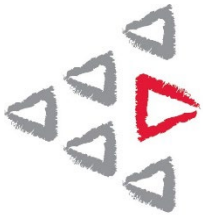
PROOF OF SERVICE

I, Beth Cogan, an employee with the Law Offices of Desa Ballard, do hereby certify that on October 15, 2026, I served a copy of the **Amended Notice of Appeal**, in the above-captioned case on the following individuals by United States Mail, with sufficient first-class postage affixed, addressed as follows:

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Beth Cogan, Paralegal

October 15, 2026



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Via Email (ctappfilings@sccourts.org)
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Re: *In the matter of Jeanette Wilbanks Sanders*
Carol Johnson Law Firm, P.A. v. John Wilbanks
Case No.: 2026-002232

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Enclosed for filing, please find an Amended Notice of Appeal and Proof of Service for the above-referenced matter.

Our office already has the transcript from the January 28-30, 2026 proceedings. Please note that no hearing was held on the Motion for Reconsideration, so there is no transcript for that. According to our calculations, the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of matter will therefore be due on Monday, November 16, 2026. If I am mistaken as to that deadline date, please inform my office as soon as possible.

By copy of this letter and as evidenced by the Proof of Service, this filing has been served upon counsel for the Respondent and is being filed with the Trial Court. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office. With warm personal regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

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Enclosures

cc: Via Email
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Carol Johnson Law Firm, P.A.
Via U.S. Mail
John Wilbanks