

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA	)	IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
COUNTY OF OCONEE	)	TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN THE MATTER OF:	)	Civil Action No.: 2026-CP-37-00128
Jeanette Wilbanks Sanders,	)	
(Alleged Incapacitated Individual)	)	
	)	ORDER AWARDING ATTORNEY'S
	)	FEES AND COSTS TO APPELLANT
Carol Johnson Law Firm, P.A.,	)	AGAINST RESPONDENT JOHN
Appellant,	)	WILBANKS
vs.	)	
	)	
John Wilbanks, Jeanette Wilbanks Sanders	)	
and Steve Holbrooks,	)	
	)	
Respondents.	)	

Appellant Carol Johnson Law Firm P.A. (Law Firm) moves for an award of appellate costs and attorney's fees against Respondent John Wilbanks. For the reasons set forth above, the motion is granted.

Appeals to the circuit court from the probate court are governed by S.C. Code 62-1-308. The statute incorporates the South Carolina Rules of Appellate Court Rules for procedure governing appeals to the circuit court from order of the probate court.¹ Law Firm has filed a Motion and Verified Bill of Costs attesting to the amount of costs incurred (as permitted by Court Rule) and "shall be entitled to recover an attorney's fee in an amount which shall be set by order of the Supreme Court.: Rule 222(b), SCACR. The applicable of the Supreme Court dated January 17, 2018 which established this amount to be \$2,500.00.

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¹ While § 62-1-308(g) provides that "no party is required to comply with any other requirements of the South Carolina Appellate court Rules", relief under the Motion for Costs and Bill of Costs provided for by Rule 222, SCACR is not automatic, but may be requested only by the prevailing party with strict compliance with Rule 222, SCACR, which Law Firm has done.

Based on the Verified Bill of Costs filed with the Court as part of Law Firm's motion, the court finds that the requested amount of costs and attorney's fee is warranted under Rule 222, SCACR.

Therefore, it is ordered, adjudged and decreed that judgment be entered in favor of Carol Johnson Law Firm P.A. against John Wilbanks in the total amount of Three Thousand Eight-Hundred Dollars and Seventy-two cents. (\$3,800.72).

IT IS SO ORDERED.

[JUDICIAL E-SIGNATURE ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE]



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Case Caption: Carol Johnson Law Firm P A VS John Wilbanks , defendant, et al
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Motion Denied

s/Judge R. Scott Sprouse, Tenth Judicial Circuit