

**THIS OPINION HAS NO PRECEDENTIAL VALUE. IT SHOULD NOT BE  
CITED OR RELIED ON AS PRECEDENT IN ANY PROCEEDING  
EXCEPT AS PROVIDED BY RULE 268(d)(2), SCACR.**

**THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
In The Court of Appeals**

In re: Estate of Samuel D. Stroman, Decedent.

Jamileh S.D. Stroman and Synthia D. Stroman,  
Respondents,

v.

Samuel D. Stroman, II, and Sherolyn D. Stroman,  
Defendants,

Of whom Samuel D. Stroman, II, is the Appellant.

Appellate Case No. 2013-000549

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Appeal From Orangeburg County  
Olin Davie Burgdorf, Master-in-Equity

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**AFFIRMED**

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Thomas Jefferson Goodwyn, Jr., of Goodwyn Law Firm,  
LLC, of Columbia, for Appellant.

Andrew Sims Radeker, of Harrison & Radeker, P.A., of  
Columbia, for Respondents.

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**PER CURIAM:** Affirmed pursuant to Rule 220(b), SCACR, and the following authorities: *Sundown Operating Co. v. Intedge Indus., Inc.*, 383 S.C. 601, 606, 681 S.E.2d 885, 888 (2009) ("The decision whether to set aside an entry of default or a default judgment lies solely within the sound discretion of the trial [court]."); *id.* ("The trial court's decision will not be disturbed on appeal absent a clear showing of an abuse of that discretion."); *id.* at 607, 681 S.E.2d at 888 ("[A] party seeking relief from an entry of default under Rule 55(c) [must] provide an explanation for the default and give reasons why vacation of the default entry would serve the interests of justice."); *Howard v. Holiday Inns, Inc.*, 271 S.C. 238, 241, 246 S.E.2d 880, 882 (1978) (holding a defaulting defendant's participation in a damages hearing is limited to cross-examination of witnesses and objection to evidence); *Limehouse v. Hulsey*, 404 S.C. 93, 116, 744 S.E.2d 566, 578-79 (2013) (adhering to the procedures adopted in *Howard* despite the intervening adoption of Rule 55, SCRCF).

**AFFIRMED.**<sup>1</sup>

**WILLIAMS, GEATHERS, and McDONALD, JJ., concur.**

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<sup>1</sup> We decide this case without oral argument pursuant to Rule 215, SCACR.