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APPEAL FROM RICHLAND COUNTY
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Appellate Case No. 2014-001464

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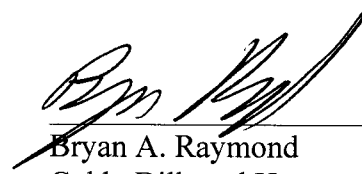
v.

Ayodele Rivers, Appellant.

RETURN TO MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL

The Respondent, Opportunity Investment Capital, Inc. hereby consents to the motion made by Leonard R. Jordan, and Jordan Law Firm to withdraw as counsel for Plaintiff, Ayodele Rivers.

January 6, 2014



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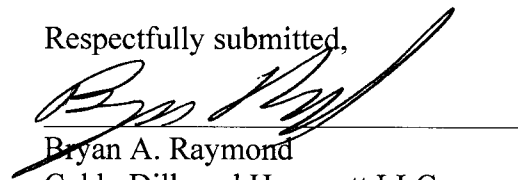
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned counsel for the Respondent certifies that on the 6th day of January, a copy of the Return to Motion for Substitution of Counsel for Respondent has been served upon other counsel of record by depositing copies of same in the U.S. Mail, first-class postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

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Respectfully submitted,



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Honorable V. Claire Allen
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RE: Opportunity Investment Capital, Inc. v. Ayodele Rivers
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Dear Ms. Allen:

I hope you are doing well. In connection with the above-referenced matter, enclosed for filing are the original and (1) copy of Return to Withdraw as Counsel. Please file the original, and return a clocked copy in the envelope provided.

This appeal has been mired in procedural limbo since its inception. The notice of appeal for this case was filed on July 3, 2014. The court has not been notified as to the date that transcripts were ordered, but on investigation, it appears they were ordered within the ten (10) days of the appealed order mandated by Rule 207, SCACR. On September 2, 2014, Respondent's former counsel moved to withdraw as counsel. Upon request from Respondent, this Court held the appeal in abeyance for thirty (30) days from granting of the order on October 7, 2014. The date for filing of initial briefs was set at November 6, 2014. On November 25, 2014 this court granted an extension of the deadline to file the Initial Brief of the Appellant and Designation of Matter until January 5, 2015. On December 30, 2014, Mr. Jordan filed a motion to withdraw as counsel, automatically holding this appeal in abeyance.

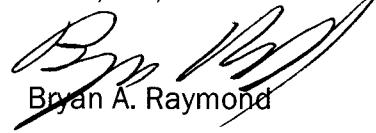
If the court grants this motion to withdraw as counsel, Ms. Rivers undeniably should be afforded the opportunity to find alternate counsel. However, I respectfully ask this court to set the date for filing initial briefs no later than sixty (60) days from the order granting this motion.

My client is informed and is under belief that the above-referenced case is without merit, and the appellant has no intention complying with Rule 208, SCACR by filing initial briefs. Furthermore, the existence of this appeal is harming the respondent. The underlying case in this appeal is a residential foreclosure. At this time, the appellant has vacated the underlying property. The property is owned by the Respondent and is currently being renovated for resale. The continuation of this appeal harms the resale value of this this property.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any issues regarding this case.

Very Truly Yours,

Cobb, Dill, and Hammett LLC

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bryan A. Raymond", is written over the typed name.

Bryan A. Raymond

Enclosures – Return to Motion to Withdraw as Counsel; Certificate of Service

Cc: Leonard R. Jordan Jr. (Attorney for Appellant Ayodele Rivers); Ms. Ayodele Rivers

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