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January 27, 2015

Via US Mail and Facsimile 803-724-1496  
Honorable V. Claire Allen, Deputy Clerk  
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SC Court of Appeals

RE: The Forfeited Land Commission v. Eartha Dean Moody Beard, et al  
Appellate Number: 2014-00-2727

Dear Ms. Allen:

Please treat this as a response to your letter of January 23, 2015, in this matter. Enclosed, please find an additional copy of my letter to the Court of Appeals, dated January 6, 2015, regarding the appellate issues raised by my clients, Coretta McMillian, Samuel E. Morant and Betsy Felicia Morant. I understand that Bamberg County's claims have been resolved, however, my clients filed an appeal as the heirs at law of Willie and Bessie Thompson, regarding subject matter property that they have an ownership interest.

Therefore, this appeal needs to continue as to my clients. I have previously ordered the transcript and provided a copy of that letter to the clerk's office. I believe the appellants would be Coretta McMillian, Samuel E. Morant, Betsy Felicia Morant and the respondent would be Ralph Johnson.

I have not received a response from the Court of Appeals to my letter dated January 6, 2015, an additional copy is enclosed. Please advise on what corrections you would like me to make to the caption so this appeal may proceed.

Yours Truly,



Michael C. Tanner

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cc: J. Martin Harvey, Esquire  
William S. Kemp, Esquire  
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Via US Mail and Facsimile 803-724-1496  
Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings, Clerk  
Attention: Amelia Smith  
South Carolina Court of Appeals  
1015 Sumter St.  
Columbia, SC 29201

RE: The Forfeited Land Commission v. Eartha Dean Moody Beard, et al  
Appellate Number: 2014-00-2727

Dear Ms. Smith:

This will follow-up and confirm our telephone conversation of January 5, 2015, regarding this matter. As I advised, the parties of interest in the Order I have filed an appeal as a result of the Order of the Honorable Edgar W. Dickson, dated November 24, 2014, are Ralph Johnson, the defendant/third party plaintiff, and my clients, Coretta McMillian, Samuel E. Morant, Betsy Felecia Morant.

As paragraph two of the Order, reflects my clients are the devisees and heirs at law of the captioned defendants Willie and Bessie Thompson. Defendant Bessie Thompson, died September 27, 2004, and her husband, Willis Thompson died on October 21, 2005.

Please find an additional copy of paragraph two of the Order attached to my letter. As set forth above, Coretta McMillian, Samuel E. Bryant and/or Betsy Felecia Morant are the devisees and heirs of law with the defendants are the appellants in this action. My clients were substituted as parties at the trial on the record before Judge Dickson, which will be reflected once I have ordered and filed the transcript.

In the interim, please advise me of any deficiency referenced in the January 2, 2015, letter. Based on the posture of this case, I wish to provide a copy of this communication to J. Martin Harvey, Esquire, as the counsel of record for Ralph Johnson and William S. Kemp, Esquire as the Guardian Ad Litem.

Yours Truly,

Michael C. Tanner

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