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ANNA ANGELACCI, as guardian of )  
K. B., a minor, )  
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Plaintiff, )  
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v. )  
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E. U., a minor, Travis O. Felkel, and )  
Ginger G. Ulery, )  
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Defendants. )

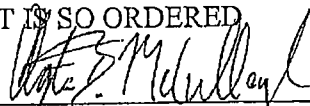
IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS  
FOR THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
CASE NO.: 2014-CP-08-2494  
JUN 13 2016  
SC Court of Appeals

ORDER DENYING NATIONWIDE'S  
MOTION TO REMOVE CASE FROM  
SPECIAL REFEREE

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MARY P. BROOKN  
CLERK OF COURT  
BERKELEY COUNTY, S.C.

This matter came before me on Nationwide Mutual Fire Insurance Company, Inc.'s ("Nationwide") motion to remove case from special referee and transfer case to the circuit court. Although Nationwide is not a party to this action, it filed a motion to have the case removed from me as Special Referee and transferred to the circuit court.<sup>1</sup> Nationwide has not cited any authority for its motion, and the Order of Referral appointing me as Special Referee states that I am to retain jurisdiction to hear motions to set aside entry of default and default judgment and any other challenges to the validity of the judgment. As such, I have jurisdiction to hear Nationwide's motions to intervene and set aside the default pursuant to the Order of Referral. Moreover, as a non-party Nationwide lacks standing to file motions in this case. For these reasons, I deny Nationwide's motion to remove case from special referee.

December 7, 2015  
Charleston, South Carolina

IT IS SO ORDERED  
  
Clayton B. McCullough, Esquire  
Special Referee  
Ninth Judicial Circuit

<sup>1</sup> Nationwide requested that the chief administrative judge schedule its motion for a hearing in the circuit court, but the parties have informed me that Judge Dennis declined to hear the motion on grounds that the Special Referee was the person with authority to hear the motion.