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SOUTH CAROLINA COURT OF APPEALS

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

TAIWAN R. SCOTT

CASE # 2014 CP-07-00426

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Plaintiffs

v.

NOTICE OF CIVIL APPEAL

SONYA M. FORD, RONALD FORD
Defendant

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Sonya M. Ford and Ronald E. Ford hereby appeal to the South Carolina Court of Appeals, of decisions made by the State of South Carolina, County of Beaufort from the order of the Honorable Marvin H. Dukes, III Master in equity and Special Circuit Court Judge for Beaufort County, entered on January 15, 2016 and from removal any portion of vinyl fence said to be an easement.

There is an existing easement that has been used for many years by ALL property owners or residents, including Mr. Scott, emergency vehicles, utility companies and all others. This easement is adjoined with properties of other family members and is used by residents living on both sides of the adjoining road. This road that adjoins, legally is an easement that is filed with the Register of Deeds, in Beaufort County, South Carolina. Although that 15ft easement exists, I have left an additional 16ft of property available to join the existing easement.

Mr. Scott claims there is a 30ft access easement through the side of my property, which

is parallel to a 30+ft road that is already used . There are electrical post that service all homes in the area, electrical wires, Mr.Scott has a part of a home in the “said” easement, waterlines and septic in this “said” easement. My deed, nor plat refers to the easement, Mr. Scott mentions. I contacted the Beaufort county register of deeds office, spoke with and emailed Ms. Mary J. Lamie, whom confirmed the only easements filed in the register of deeds office is that with The Town of Hilton Head and Palmetto Electric. I visited the register of deeds office on October 3,2014 after we appeared before the Honorable Marvin H. Dukes, III Master in equity and Special Circuit Court Judge for Beaufort County. I again spoke with Ms. Lamie, whom informed me that the paperwork used as a plat in court had not been filed in Beaufort County SC Register Of Deeds. We also searched for a written description, which has to be described in a deed for a legal easement on the property: there was no legal description filed in Beaufort County Register of Deeds for lot R510 010 000 006A. I’ve researched and find that there is no easement on my property.

On October 7, 2015, I was summons to appear in court once again. At this court date Mr. Scott has now filed his “new” plat (which covers all four lots associated with this said easement) in the register of deeds without contacting any of the other property owners or having anyone sign any legal paperwork to obtain the easement. The judge decided at that time to give us a month to sort things out and we would have a phone conference on November 9,2015. Unfortunately, I was unable to keep that date because of a sudden death in my immediate family. I did speak with Judge Dukes and his assistant Heather McLeod about the situation and get excused first. Ms. McLeod told me she would set another date. Due to miscommunication that date was missed. I left a message on Ms. McLeod’s voice mail. On January 15, 2016 I received a phone call from Ms. McLeod. She left a voicemail. I was out of town on this date, but did call her back and she informed me I was supposed to be in court at the time. I did not receive anything informing me of this court date. She did pass me through to Judge Dukes office where they were going on with the case.

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I, Sonya Ford have mailed
a copy of this appeal to Clerk of
Court, PO Drawer 1128, Beaufort SC, 29901.
and a copy to Taiwan Scott, 5 Candy
Doll Bluff, Hilton Head, SC. 29928.

Sincerely,

S. Ford

I am seeking a fair and proper judgement, a new trial or reversal of the order.
Therefore, I am requesting your reconsideration of this issue. If there is any additional information I can provide to you that would expedite this matter, please feel free to contact me. Thank you for your time and consideration in this important matter.

Respectfully,

Ronald Ford  POA
Sonya Ford 

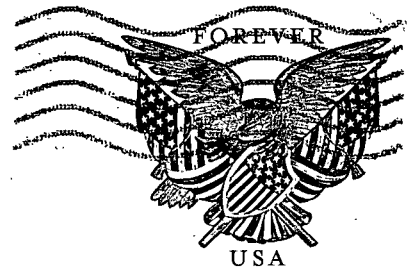
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