

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
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APPEAL FROM SUMTER COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas
R. Ferrell Cothran, Circuit Court Judge

Appellate Case No. 2017-000998
Civil Action No. 2015-CP-43-596

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Inc., d/b/a Great American Cookie Co.,Respondents,

v.

Hull Storey Retail Group, LLC, and
Sumter Mall, LLC.....Appellants.

STATUS UPDATE

On August 28, 2017, this Court granted Appellant's Motion for a Remand (Without Prejudice to Refile) and instructed Appellant to provide status updates to the Court every 30 days thereafter. This is the fifth such update. In late December, having received the transcripts from the proceedings below, the parties' counsel contacted Judge Cothran—who presided over the bench trial of this action—to schedule a hearing on the pending post-trial motion. Undersigned counsel again inquired of the lower court in mid-January regarding a date for the hearing, but the date has yet to be set. Counsel will inquire of the lower court again, and Appellants' next status update will report any further developments.

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Respectfully submitted,

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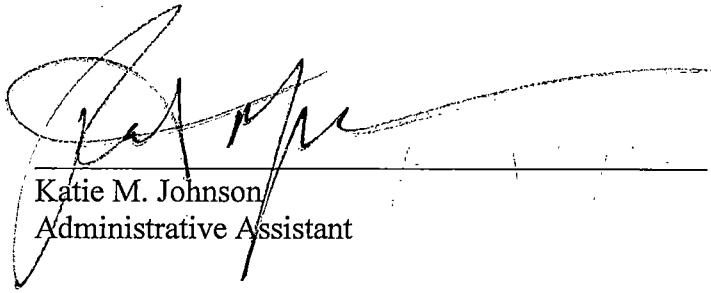
PROOF OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned Administrative Assistant of the law offices of Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP, attorneys for Hull Storey Retail Group, LLC, and Sumter Mall, LLC, do hereby certify that I have served all counsel in this action with a copy of the pleading(s) hereinbelow specified by mailing a copy of the same by United States Mail, postage prepaid, to the following address:

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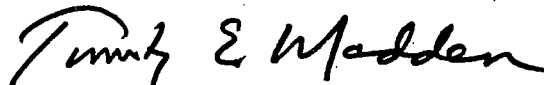
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Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Please find enclosed the original and one copy of Appellants' fifth monthly Status Report per the request contained in the Court's Order dated August 28, 2017. We ask that you file the original and return a clocked-in copy to us via the enclosed postage-paid envelope. A copy of this Status Report has been served by mail on opposing counsel.

Very truly yours,


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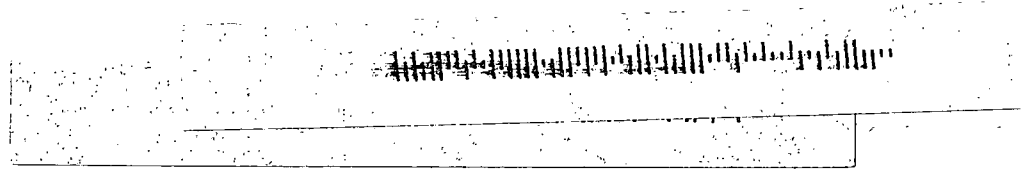
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