

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Court of Appeals

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APPEAL FROM THE RICHLAND COUNTY
APPELLATE PANEL, WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

COURT OF APPEALS

Case No. 1014646

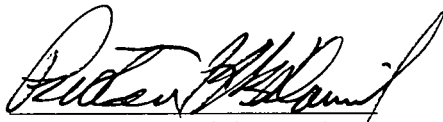
Donna Barfield,.....Respondent/Claimant,
v.
Life Care Center of Columbia,.....Appellant/Employer,
and
Old Republic Insurance Company,.....Appellant/Carrier.

Notice of Consent to Mediate

Pursuant to the Pilot Program for Voluntary Mediation of Workers' Compensation Appeals the parties to this matter have agreed to mediate this matter. It is the intention of the parties to complete the mediation within 30-days of the Notice of Consent to Mediate.

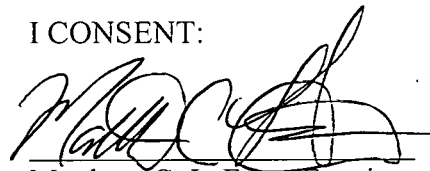
In light of the parties election to participate in the Pilot Program for Voluntary Mediation it is requested that this appeal be suspended. The due date for ordering the transcript is May 9, 2012.

I CONSENT:



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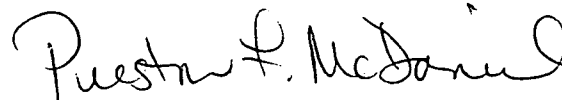
RE: DONNA BARFIELD v. LIFE CARE CENTER OF COLUMBIA
CASE TRACKING NO. 2012211290

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Enclosed please find a Notice of Consent to Mediate in the above-referenced matter which has signed by Counsel for the Appellants and Counsel for the Respondents. By copy of this letter to Matthew C. LaFave, I am notifying him of the filing of the Notice of Consent to Mediate.

Should you need any additional information or documentation, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely yours,



Preston F. McDaniel

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Enclosure

cc: Matthew C. LaFave, Esquire

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RE: DONNA BARFIELD v. LIFE CARE CENTER OF COLUMBIA
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Dear Ms. Kitchings:

The parties in the above-referenced matter have agreed to voluntary mediation and that Agreement has been filed with the Court. I have also received a Motion which is entitled "Motion for Remand" that was received by mail on May 7th by my office and my question is simply this, since we have agreed to Mediation is my Reply to the Motion stayed or do I need to reply in a timely fashion to the Motion? I would appreciate the direction of the Court in that regard. By copy of this letter, I am notifying Counsel for the Appellants of this communication and request for direction.

Sincerely yours,



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