

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
In The Court of Appeals

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APPEAL FROM SUMTER COUNTY  
Court of Common Pleas  
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Appellate Case No. 2017-000998  
Civil Action No. 2015-CP-43-596

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v.

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

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**STATUS UPDATE**

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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 sixth such update. On February 9, 2018, the parties’ counsel appeared before Judge Cothran—who presided over the bench trial of this action—to argue the pending post-trial motion for which this Court remanded the appeal. At the conclusion of the hearing, Judge Cothran took the motion under advisement. He has not yet ruled on the motion. 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) below specified by mailing a copy of the same by United States Mail, postage prepaid, to the following address:

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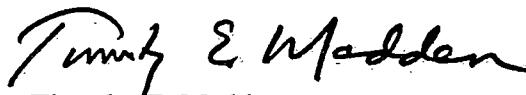
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Our File No. 53746/01500

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Please find enclosed the original and one copy of Appellants' sixth monthly Status Report per the request contained in the Court of Appeals' 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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Enclosures

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