

The South Carolina Court of Appeals

Ross Buchanan, Appellant,

v.

South Carolina Department of Employment and
Workforce and Upstate Machine and Manufacturing,
LLC, Respondents.

Appellate Case No. 2017-002378

ORDER

First, this court construes Appellant's filing as a request to proceed without the payment of filing fees in this appeal. After careful consideration, that request is granted. *See* S.C. Code Ann. § 41-39-30 (1986) ("An individual claiming benefits may not be charged a fee in a proceeding under Chapters 27 through 41 of this title by the department or its representatives or by a court or an officer, except an attorney, of it.").

Second, this court construes Appellant's February 28, 2018 letter to Respondents as a request to proceed in this appeal without the entire transcript of the proceedings before the administrative law court. *See* Rule 207(b)(1), SCACR ("*Unless the parties otherwise agree in writing, appellant must order a transcript of the entire proceedings before the administrative tribunal. If a party to the appeal unjustifiably refuses to agree to order less than the entire transcript, appellant may move to be awarded costs for having unnecessary portions transcribed; this motion must be made no later than the time the final briefs are due under Rule 211.*" (emphasis added)). Within ten days of the date of this order, Respondents shall clarify whether their March 2, 2018 response shall be construed as an agreement to proceed without the transcript of the entire proceedings below in accordance with Rule 207.


FOR THE COURT

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