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In The Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM RICHLAND COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas

Alison Lee, Circuit Court Judge

Case No. 2016-CP-40-04463

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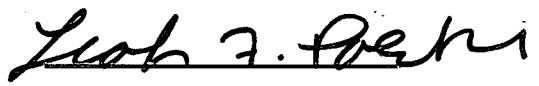
v.

Sterling Healthcare, Inc.,
Countrywood Nursing Center, LLC, and
Guardian Resources, LLC.....Appellants.

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Sterling Healthcare, Inc., Countrywood Nursing Center, LLC, and Guardian Resources, LLC
appeal the order of the Honorable Alison Lee dated April 19, 2018, striking the answers of all
Appellants. Appellants received written notice of entry of this order on April 19, 2018.

May 11, 2018.



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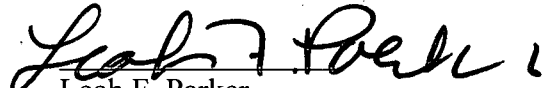
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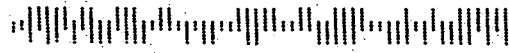
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