

88261

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In the Court of Appeals

RECEIVED
NOV 08 2018
SC Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM THE SOUTH CAROLINA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

W.C.C. File No.: 1414226
Appellate Case No.: 2016-000595

Laurent W. Britton, Decedent/Employee and
Marsha P. Britton, Claimant, Respondents,

v.

Charleston County, Employer, and
SC Association of Counties, SIF, Carrier, Appellants.

APPELLANTS' MOTION FOR APPEAL TO BE HELD IN ABEYANCE

Pursuant to Rule 240 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules, Appellants Charleston County and SC Association of Counties SIF move this Court for an order holding this Appeal in abeyance for a period of time prescribed by this Court allowing the parties to finalize settlement negotiations of the above-captioned action.

This Court affirmed the decision of the Workers' Compensation Commission in Unpublished Opinion No. 2018-UP-368, finding Laurent W. Britton's heart attack a compensable injury and awarding Marsha Britton compensation of death benefits. Appellants timely filed a Petition for Rehearing of the opinion, and said Petition is currently under review. The parties have reached an agreement to settle this matter and are in the process of finalizing the agreement to file with the Workers' Compensation Commission. At this time, Appellants request that Petition be

held in abeyance pending consummation of the settlement agreement. Should the parties be unable to fully consummate a settlement agreement, Appellants would only then request their Petition for Rehearing be considered.

Respectfully submitted



Grady L. Beard
Nicolas L. Haigler
Robinson Gray Stepp & Laffitte, LLC
1310 Gadsden Street
Post Office Box 11449
Columbia, South Carolina 29211
(803) 929-1400
Attorneys for Appellants

J. Hubert Wood, III
Wood Law Group, LLC
P.O. Box 20550
Charleston, South Carolina 29413
(843) 577 5732
Attorneys for Appellants

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned, Legal Assistant of Robinson Gray Stepp & Laffitte, L.L.C., attorneys for Defendants, do hereby certify that I have served the following parties with the foregoing document(s) by mailing a copy of the same via United States Mail, postage prepaid, and/or hand delivering, or otherwise indicated, to the following address(es):

Pleading(s): **APPELLANTS' MOTION FOR APPEAL TO BE HELD IN ABEYANCE**

Parties served:

VIA HAND DELIVERY

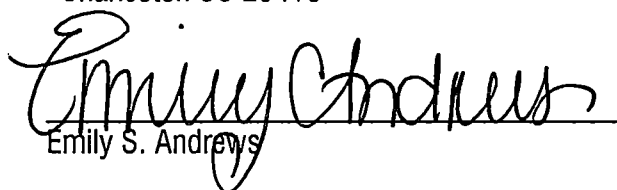
Ms. Amy Bracy
Judicial Director
South Carolina Workers' Compensation Commission
1333 Main Street, Suite 500
Columbia, SC 29202-1715

VIA U.S. MAIL

R. Walter Hundley, Esquire
1517 Sam Rittenberg Blvd. (29407)
Post Office Box 31189
Charleston SC 29417-1189

J. Kevin Holmes, Esquire
The Steinberg Law Firm, L.L.C.
118 Goose Creek Boulevard
Post Office Box 1028
Goose Creek SC 29445

J. Hubert Wood, III, Esquire
Wood Law Group, LLC
One Wesley Drive (29407)
Post Office Box 20550
Charleston SC 29413


Emily S. Andrews

RECEIVED
NOV 08 2018
SC Court of Appeals

Columbia, South Carolina
November 8, 2018



**ROBINSON
GRAY**

Litigation + Business

GRADY L. BEARD
Direct Dial 803 231.7824
Email gbeard@robinsongray.com

November 8, 2018

VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals
1015 Sumter Street
Columbia, SC 29201

RE: Laurent (Larry) Britton (deceased) v. Charleston County
WCC File No.: 1414226
Date of Accident: 09/09/14
Appellate Case No.: 2016-000595
Claim No.: 2014061958
Our File No.: 6830/8000

RECEIVED

NOV 08 2018

SC Court of Appeals

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Please find enclosed herewith the original and one (1) copy of the Appellants' Motion for Appeal to be Held in Abeyance in the above-referenced matter. We would appreciate your filing the original and returning a clocked-in copy of the same to us via our courier.

By copy of this letter and aforementioned documents to the opposing counsel, we are serving them with a copy same.

Very truly yours,

Grady L. Beard

GLB:esa

Enclosures

cc: R. Walter Hundley, Esquire (via U.S. Mail)
J. Kevin Holmes, Esquire (via U.S. Mail)
J. Hubert Wood, III, Esquire (via U.S. Mail)
Lang Kohel (via email)