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APPEAL FROM BEAUFORT COUNTY  
Court of Common Pleas

Honorable Carmen T. Mullen

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Common Pleas Number: 2020-CP-07-01840  
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Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, ..... Plaintiff/Intervenors  
v.  
Beaufort County, South Carolina, ..... Defendant/Plaintiff/Respondent  
v.  
James Beckert, in his official capacity as the Beaufort Co. Auditor, ..... Defendant/Appellant

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NOTICE OF APPEAL  
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James Beckert appeals the Order Granting Temporary Injunction as to the Rural and Critical Lands Debt Service Millage Rate issued by the Honorable Carmen T. Mullen. This Order was filed on November 20, 2020. As Beaufort County is an electronic filing county, the order were received the same day it was filed.

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PROOF OF SERVICE  
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I, James A. Brown Jr, certify that I served a copy of the Notice of Appeal upon the Defendant/Plaintiff/Respondent Beaufort County by depositing a copy of this item in the United States mail, postage prepaid, on November 20, 2020, addressed to its attorneys of record, M. Dawes Cooke, Jr. and John W. Fletcher, P.O. Drawer H, Charleston, SC 29402.

A copy of the Notice of Appeal was also served upon the Intervenor/Plaintiff Town of Hilton Head, et al by depositing a copy of this item on this same day in the United States mail addressed to their attorney of record, Curtis L. Coltrane, Post Office Box 6808, Hilton Head Island, SC 29938.

Further, because of the exigent nature of the issue involved and because of the use of the electronic filing procedure engendered by the Covid-19 pandemic, the Notice of Appeal and this Proof of Service were also emailed to these attorneys using the email addresses:

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Re: Notice of Appeal and Proof of Service  
Town of Hilton Head Island, et al, v. Beaufort County v. James Beckert in his  
official capacity as the Beaufort County Auditor; 2020-CP-07-01840

Clerk:

Under cover of the paper copy of this letter and attached with the email version, please find enclosed a Notice of Appeal (NOA), Proof of Service (POS), and the Order Granting Temporary Injunction as to the Rural and Critical Lands Debt Service Millage Rate in the above-referenced matter. Also enclosed with the mailed copy of this letter is a check in the amount of \$250.00 which represents a filing fee for this appeal. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/Jim Brown

Jim Brown

w/ enclosures

cc via US Mail and Email

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