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APPEAL FROM RICHLAND COUNTY
Court of Common Pleas

R. Kirk Griffin, Circuit Court Judge

Appellate Case No. 2021-000330
Case No. 2019-CP-40-03582

Julia B. Brooker,.....Respondent

v.

Beacham O. Brooker, Jr., in his individual capacity as Trustee
and individually as a Beneficiary of the Janet B. Brooker Trust,
and Ellen B. Corontzes individually and as a Beneficiary of the
Janet B. Brooker Trust,.....Appellants

**DESIGNATION OF MATTER
TO BE INCLUDED ON THE RECORD ON APPEAL**

Appellants designate the following to be included in the Record on Appeal:

- 1 Petition for Declaratory Relief filed on March 17, 2017 filed in the Probate Court;
- 2 Answer to Petition for Declaratory Relief filed on May 17, 2017 filed in the Probate Court;
- 3 Will and Trust Agreement dated October 16, 2007 (also referred to as Respondents Beach Brooker and Ellen Corontzes' Trial Exhibit 2);
- 4 Petitioner Julia Brooker's Motion for Summary Judgment filed on August 3, 2018 in the Probate Court;
- 5 Respondents Beach Brooker and Ellen Corontzes' Motion for Summary Judgment filed on August 3, 2018 in the Probate Court;
- 6 Order Denying Motions for Summary Judgment, dated October 24, 2018 filed in the Probate Court;
- 7 Respondents Beach Brooker and Ellen Corontzes' Motion in Limine filed on Feb. 4, 2019 in the Probate Court;
- 8 Petitioner Julia Brooker's Affidavit in Support of Award of Attorney's Fees and Reimbursement of Expenses February 28, 2019 filed in the Probate Court;

- 9 Respondents' Memorandum in Opposition to Petitioner's Attorney Fee Affidavit dated April 8, 2019 filed in the Probate Court;
- 10 Probate Court Order Calculating Equalization Distribution of Lifetime Gifts, Probate Court, June 20, 2019;
- 11 Probate Court Order Allowing Attorney Fees, Probate Court, August 5, 2019;
- 12 Probate Court Order Regarding Motion for Reconsideration and to Alter or Amend Under Rules 52 and 59(e), SCRPC, October 28, 2019;
- 13 Circuit Court Order Affirming Ruling of the Probate Court, March 22, 2021
- 14 Petitioner Julia Brooker's Trial Exhibit 1;
- 15 Petitioner Julia Brooker's Trial Exhibit 3;
- 16 Petitioner Julia Brooker's Trial Exhibit 8;
- 17 Petitioner Julia Brooker's Trial Exhibit 17;
- 18 Respondents Beach Brooker and Ellen Corontzes' Trial Exhibit 1;
- 19 Respondents Beach Brooker and Ellen Corontzes' Trial Exhibit 2;
- 20 Respondents Beach Brooker and Ellen Corontzes' Trial Exhibit 3;
- 21 Respondents Beach Brooker and Ellen Corontzes' Trial Exhibit 4;
- 22 Respondents Beach Brooker and Ellen Corontzes' Trial Exhibit 7;
- 23 Court Trial Exhibit 1; and
- 24 Richland County Probate Court Hearing Transcript, February 5 and 7, 2019, Pages 22, 36-40, 43, 69, 77-81, 89-90, 95-105, 113-115, 121-122, 124, 132-138, 141, 143, 146, 148-149, 157-158, 167-168, 180-184, 220, 248, 265-266, and 270-282,

CERTIFICATION

We certify that this designation contains no matter which is irrelevant to this appeal.

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that I have caused the service of the Appellant’s Initial Brief and Designation of Matter on Respondent by emailing and depositing a copy of it in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, on July 6, 2021, to her attorneys of record at the addresses listed below.

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Re: Julia B. Brooker v. Beacham O. Brooker, Jr.
Appellate Case No. 2021-000330

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Attached for filing is Appellants' Initial Brief, Designation of Matter and Proof of Service in the above matter.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,



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