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IN THE ARKANSAS SUPREME COURT

	
LAURA LYNN HAMMETT	APPELLANT
vs.	
MICHEAL PIETRCZAK	APPELLEE

ON APPEAL FROM

THE CIRCUIT COURT OF SEARCY COUNTY, ARKANSAS THE HONORABLE SUSAN WEAVER, PRESIDING

APPELLANT'S PETITION FOR REVIEW OF CASE NO, CV-22-435

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The filing of this petition confers jurisdiction on the Arkansas Supreme Court pursuant to Rule 2-4 of the Arkansas Rules of the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals.

One grounds for review is that the COA's opinion conflicts with its own precedent, as cited in its dismissal for jurisdictional issues, *Keith v. Barrow-Hicks Extensions of Water Imp. Dist. No. 85 of Pulaski Cnty.*, 275 Ark. 28, 31, 626 S.W.2d 951, 953 (1982). (Ark. R. Sup. Ct. & Ct. App. 1-2(b)(2) and 2-4(d)(ii))

A second grounds for review is the violation of the appellant's due process rights under U.S. Const. amend. XIV, where the COA refused to review circuit court errors of law de novo and clear errors of fact, raising concerns of manifest injustice toward a class based on property, those who can't afford an attorney. (Ark. R. Sup. Ct. & Ct. App. 2-4(d)(iii))

A third, equally important, grounds for review is the substantial public interest in addressing unethical and illegal judicial conduct that victimizes elderly, self-represented citizens. (Ark. R. Sup. Ct. & Ct. App. 1-2(b)(4))

The grounds for review are detailed in the Petition for Rehearing, which the COA denied on November 6, 2024.

Micheal Pietrczak wooed "Laura Lynn" in December 2009, fresh out of prison with \$3.71 and significant debt, living in a halfway house. Hammett supported him, financing a startup and working tirelessly despite his relapses into substance abuse. She broke up in 2016 because of his dangerous and degrading behaviors.

Pietrczak signed a 2016 suicide note to his father, Walter, instructing him to file

this suit after Laura paid over \$75,000 they agreed upon, seeking the entire \$200,000 property plus treble damages. Judge Weaver was shown this note, as well as a contract showing Laura and Micheal agreed to split the property 50/50. Despite Laura's agreement that the contract was voidable, not "void ab initio," Judge Weaver claimed otherwise. The transcript of Laura's argument was distorted by Court Reporter Jana Perry. This was not the only fictionalization of the record.

Precedent mandates that Hammett's dismissal with prejudice on March 28, 2022, required dismissal of the defaulting Rural Revival Living Trust under the Common-Defense Doctrine, making it the final order.

Instead, after forbidding Hammett to make any arguments or provide any evidence in her own behalf (which would also apply to the trust), Judge Weaver deprived Hammett of her personal rights to the property and her beneficial rights pursuant to the trust.

On April 14, 2022, Judge Weaver issued a vague order: "Any and all other motions filed herein, shall be denied." (RP1110) It implied finality without stating it, leaving the case in limbo. No disposition sheet was filed, nor was the docket marked closed, precluding relief under Hammett's Ark. R. Civ. P. 60 motion, (RP1079-1106) and her motion for contempt against plaintiff and his attorney.

In June 2024, despite lacking jurisdiction since April 2022, the circuit court ordered the clerk to close the docket, obscuring the illegitimate transfer of Hammett's and the Trust's real estate rights, recorded in June 2022.

The COA's refusal to provide a reasoned opinion on the merits of Hammett's appeal raises significant public concern. Acting pro se, Hammett secured a dismissal with prejudice but was barred from representing the trust, despite being its settlor, trustee, and sole non-contingent beneficiary. The attorney she hired opined that the April 7, 2022 order was final, then withdrew.

Judge Susan Weaver's improper transfer of trust property to Attorney William "Zac" White's client, without proper summons, in both this and another unrelated case, demands publicity and correction by the judicial branch itself. The integrity of our court system will otherwise be drawn into disrepute through the 4th Estate.

I respectfully urge the Arkansas Supreme Court to review the COA's opinion and the circuit court orders that unlawfully transferred my property rights.

Electronically signed November 8, 2024 /s/

<u>/s/ Laura Lynn Hammett</u> Laura Lynn Hammett

Certificate of Service: I, Laura Lynn Hammett, certify that on this 8th day of November, 2024, I filed the foregoing Motion and brief along with the exhibits with the Clerk of the Court using the eFlex Electronic Filing System, which shall send notification of such filing to all counsel of record.

/s/ Laura Lynn Hammett

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