CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PERSONS

IRVIN MORGAN, JR., Appellant

v.

NUMBER 2007-CA-00872

HARRY STEVENS, JR. and GAYLE J. STEVENS Appellees

The undersigned counsel of record certifies that the following listed persons have an interest in the outcome of this case. These representations are made in order that the justices of the Supreme Court and/or the judges of the Court of Appeals may evaluate possible disqualification or recusal:

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- 2. Honorable William P. Starks, II Attorney for Plaintiff-Appellant Columbus, Mississippi
- 3. Honorable Ron Woodruff
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- 6. Irvin Morgan Plaintiff-Appellant
- 7. Gayle Stevens Defendant-Appellee

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SUMMARY

Issue No. 1:

Whether the Statute of Limitations barred Plaintiff's Claims.

Harry Stevens, Jr., joins in the Brief of Gayle Stevens on Issue Number 1.

Issue No. 2:

Whether the Trial Court abused its discretion in Denying Plaintiff's Motion to Compel.

This issue is most since the cause of action giving rise to discovery is barred by the statute of limitations.

ARGUMENT

Issue No. 1:

Whether the Statute of Limitations barred Plaintiff's Claims.

Harry Stevens, Jr., joins in the brief of Gayle Stevens on Issue Number One and adopts her argument in its entirety. Because the three year statute of limitations applies, the claim of Irvin Morgan is barred given that his latest cause of action should have been filed in January of 2001. Additionally, no genuine issue of material fact exists as to the fraud claim of Irvin Morgan and therefore, summary judgment was properly granted.

Aetna Casualty & Surety Co., v. Berry 669 So.2d 56, 70 (Miss, 1996).

Issue No. 2: Whether the Trial Court abused its discretion in Denying Plaintiff's Motion to Compel.

Issue Number two is moot given that the discovery sought was based upon a claim barred by the Statute of Limitations. Furthermore, trial courts have considerable discretion in discovery matters and decisions will not be overturned unless there is an abuse of discretion. *Dawkins v. Redd Pest Control Co.* 607 So.2d 1232, 1235 (Miss. 1992)

CONCLUSION

This claim of Irvin Morgan is barred by the Statute of Limitations and any complaint with regard to discovery violations is moot on the barred claim.

This Court should affirm the summary judgment ruling of Judge Howard and deny the relief sought for by Irvin Morgan.

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