

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MISSISSIPPI  
LAFAYETTE COUNTY

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STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
LAFAYETTE COUNTY

ROBERT SULLIVANT, SR. 2023 OCT 24 PM 4: 54 PLAINTIFF

VS. CHANCERY CLERK CASE NO. 36CH1:21-00612

ROBERT SULLIVANT, JR. BY DC TJ DEFENDANT

VS.

EVELYN STEVENS THIRD-PARTY DEFENDANT

**ORDER OF TRANSFER**

The undersigned Judge Robert Q. Whitwell has presided over this action since its inception and initial filings on October 25, 2021. On June 21, 2023, Defendant Robert Sullivant, Jr. filed a *Motion for Recusal* [Doc. #120], with *Supporting Affidavit* [Doc. #119], seeking to have the undersigned recuse himself from hearing this matter due to what the Defendant misperceives as bias and prejudice by the undersigned against Defendant. Defendant Robert Sullivant, Jr. has received multiple adverse rulings on various motions and other filings he has made. Defendant Sullivant, Jr. also does not appreciate and comprehend the Court’s observations and comments from the bench, which the Defendant mischaracterizes as “testimony.”

Plaintiff Robert Sullivant, Sr. filed a Response in Opposition to the Motion for Recusal [Doc. #128]. The defendant’s motion was heard at the Calhoun County Courthouse on July 6, 2023. On July 7, 2023, this Court entered its *Order on Ore Tenus Motion by Defendant* [Doc. #130] denying Sullivant, Jr.’s motion to recuse.

Said Defendant subsequently filed an interlocutory appeal to the Supreme Court of Mississippi, being Case No. 2023-M-00847-SCT, on the dockets of that court. Defendant’s Petition was again fully briefed, and the Court would note that the Defendant Robert Sullivant, Jr. made certain comments and characterizations about the undersigned in his Supreme Court filings.

By Order dated September 22, 2023, the Supreme Court denied Robert Sullivant, Jr.'s Petition for Interlocutory Appeal.

Even though this Court strongly disagrees with and takes exception to Defendant Robert Sullivant, Jr.'s unfounded and erroneously held suppositions that he cannot receive a fair trial before the undersigned judge, the Court, *sua sponte*, does hereby ORDER this cause to be transferred from the Honorable Judge Robert Q. Whitwell to the Honorable Judge Lawrence L. Little for hearing on all undecided issues prospectively filed herein, without further review or reconsideration on any matters previously ruled upon.

**FURTHER**, the Chancery Clerk of Lafayette County is directed to change the assigned judge from Judge Robert Q. Whitwell to Judge Lawrence L. Little to in the Mississippi Electronic Courts online system.

**ORDERED**, this the 24<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2023.

  
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**ROBERT Q. WHITWELL, CHANCELLOR**