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03-CV-2026-901053.00

Judge: BROOKE E REID

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NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC FILING

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, ALABAMA

BROOKE LYNN DORGAN ET AL V. THOMAS HAWLEY TUBERVILLE ET AL
03-CV-2026-901053.00

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Notice of ☒ Appeal ☐ Cross Appeal to the☒ **SUPREME COURT OF ALABAMA**☐ **ALABAMA COURT OF CIVIL APPEALS****IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, ALABAMA**
(Circuit, District, or Juvenile) (Name of County)

Civil Action Number:

03-CV-2026-901053**APPELLANT(S):***State of Alabama ex rel. Brook Lynne Dorgan and Justin Jude LeBlanc**[The name of each party appealing must be listed – see Rule 3(c), Alabama Rules of Appellate Procedure. Attach additional pages if necessary.]***V. APPELLEE(S):***Thomas Hawley Tuberville, individually and in his capacity as the certified nominee of the Alabama Republican Party for the office of governor**[The name of each party against whom appeal is taken must be listed – see Rule 3(c), Alabama Rules of Appellate Procedure. Attach additional pages if necessary.]***TRIAL JUDGE:** The Honorable Brook Reid**DATE OF JUDGMENT:**

July 9, 2026

DATE OF POST-JUDGMENT ORDER:

n/a

Notice is Hereby Given that the above-named appellant(s) appeal(s) to the above-designated court from the ☒ Final Judgment
☐ Order (describe order) entered in this cause.**CHECK THE PROPER DESCRIPTION OF THE APPEALED CASE UNDER THE APPROPRIATE COURT:****SUPREME COURT OF ALABAMA**

- ☐ Amount awarded more than \$50,000
☐ No award, but amount claimed more than \$50,000
☐ Public Service Commission
☒ Other: Quo warranto action

ALABAMA COURT OF CIVIL APPEALS

- ☐ Amount awarded equals \$50,000 or less
☐ No award, but amount claimed equals \$50,000 or less
☐ Administrative Agency
☐ Workers' compensation
☐ Domestic relations
☐ Other: _____

APPELLANT FILES WITH THIS NOTICE OF APPEAL:

- ☒ Security for costs of appeal.
☐ A supersedeas bond in the amount of \$ _____.
☐ Deposited cash security of \$ _____.
☐ Is exempted by law from giving security for costs of appeal by virtue of _____ (Specify)

Filed Barry A. Ragsdale
(Date)**CERTIFIED AS A TRUE COPY**

(Certification is not required if the Notice of Appeal is filed electronically. See Rule 3(d)(3), Ala. R. App. P.)

(Signature of _____, Circuit Clerk)
(Printed Name)**Barry A. Ragsdale**

(Name of Appellant or Attorney for Appellant)

1130 22nd Street South, Suite 4000

(Address of Appellant or Attorney for Appellant)

Birmingham

(City)

AL

(State)

35205

(Zip)

205-536-8888

(Telephone Number)

bragsdale@dfhlaw.com

(E-mail Address)

(Signature of Appellant or Attorney for Appellant)

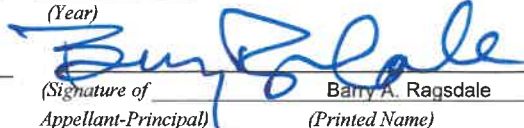
Form ARAP 1 (back)
Rev. 10/2024Notice of Appeal to the ☒ Supreme Court of Alabama ☐ Alabama Court of Civil Appeals**SECURITY FOR COSTS***

We hereby acknowledge ourselves security for costs of appeal. For the payment of all costs secured by this undertaking, we hereby waive our right of exemption as to personal property under the Constitution and laws of the State of Alabama. Executed with our seals this

_____ day of _____, 20____.

(Day) (Month) (Year)

Date Filed and Approved: _____


(Signature of _____) Barry A. Ragsdale
Appellant-Principal) (Printed Name)

(Signature of _____) Circuit Clerk
(Printed Name)

*Note: If you are filing this Notice of Appeal electronically, the trial-court clerk's portion of the Security for Costs will be completed after the Notice of Appeal has been filed.

(Signature of _____) Surety
(Printed Name)

(Signature of _____) Surety
(Printed Name)

DESIGNATION OF THE RECORD ON APPEAL

Appellant(s) request(s) the clerk of the trial court to include the following checked materials in the clerk's record:

- | | | |
|--|--|---|
| ☐ Complaint | ☒ Entire record (less items set forth in Rule 10(a), Alabama Rules of Appellate Procedure) | ☐ Others: _____ |
| ☐ Answer | ☐ Motion for summary judgment | _____ |
| ☐ Counterclaim | ☐ Opposition to motion for summary judgment | _____ |
| ☐ Cross-claim | ☐ Final judgment/order | ☐ Exhibit numbers: _____ |
| ☐ Third-party complaint | ☐ Motion for new trial | _____ |
| ☐ Third-party answer | ☐ Ruling on motion for new trial | _____ |
| ☐ Motion to dismiss | | |
| ☐ Pretrial order | | |

TRANSCRIPT STATUS

- ☐ Transcript will not be ordered. See Rule 10(b), Alabama Rules of Appellate Procedure.
- ☒ Transcript will be ordered. See Rules 10(b)(2) and 11(a)(2), Alabama Rules of Appellate Procedure.

Name and address of court reporter(s): Haley Tunnel

251 South Lawrence Street, Montgomery, AL 36104

NOTE: If more than one court reporter was involved in this case, you must file a Transcript Purchase Order Form in compliance with Rules 10(b)(2) and 11(a)(2), Alabama Rules of Appellate Procedure, and Form 1A or 1B.

CERTIFICATE OF FILING AND OF SERVICE

I certify I have this date filed electronically with the clerk of the trial court the foregoing notice of appeal through the trial court electronic-filing system or that I have this date hand-filed the original and _____ (number) copies of the foregoing notice of appeal (along with the \$200 docket fee) and such other instruments as have been completed and included herein. If I filed the notice of appeal electronically, I acknowledge that I must pay the \$200 docket fee directly to the appropriate appellate court clerk within seven (7) days.[†] A true or electronic copy of each of these items will be served by the clerk of the trial court or by the trial court's electronic-filing system on each of the following: (1) the clerk of the appellate court; (2) the court reporter; and (3) counsel for each appellee or the appellee if no counsel, as follows (provide names and addresses):

Megan B. Rhodebeck, 300 Dexter Avenue, Montgomery, AL 36104

Haley Tunnel, 251 South Lawrence Street, Montgomery, AL 36104

Joe Espy, III, P. O. Drawer 5130, Montgomery, Alabama 36103

I further certify pursuant to Rules 3(d), 25(d), and 57(h)(5), Alabama Rules of Appellate Procedure, that I have this date served a copy of this Notice of Appeal on each party to the proceedings in the trial court in the manner indicated below (attach additional pages if necessary):

Name	Method of Service (AlaFile, U.S. Mail, Hand Delivery, etc.)	Service Address [‡]
Joe Espy, III	AlaFile	jespy@mewlegal.com
William Espy	AlaFile	wespy@mewlegal.com
Bert L. Jordan		bjordan@wallacejordan.com
Stephen W. Shaw		sshaw@wallacejordan.com

[‡]If electronic service is selected, the e-mail address at which service was made via AlaFile must be listed as the service address.

Done on this 14th day of July, 2026.

(Day) (Month) (Year)

(Signature of Appellant or Attorney for Appellant)

Barry A. Ragsdale

(Printed Name)

[†]NOTE: If the Notice of Appeal is filed electronically, payment of the \$200 docket fee may be paid by credit card on the electronic-filing system, or it must be mailed or hand delivered to the attention of the clerk of the appropriate appellate court at 300 Dexter Avenue, Montgomery, AL 36104. The payment shall be accompanied by a means of identifying the appeal to which the payment is applicable. See Rule 35A(a)(1), Ala. R. App. P.



Appellate Case Number:
(to be filled in by appellate court)

State of Alabama
Unified Judicial System Form
ARAP-24 (front)
Rev. 10/2019

DOCKETING STATEMENT

Appeal to the Supreme Court of Alabama

NOTE: completed Civil Case Cover Sheet must be attached

COUNTY Montgomery

CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 03-CV-2026-901053

TRIAL JUDGE The Honorable Brook Reid

I. APPELLANT(s)(list the parties appealing):

State of Alabama ex rel. Brook Lynne Dorgan and Justin Jude LeBlanc

Appellant's Attorney: Barry A. Ragsdale Address: 1130 22nd Street South, Suite 4000
Phone: 205-536-8888 Email: bragsdale@dfhlaw.com Birmingham, AL 35205

II. APPELLEE(S)(list the parties appealed):

Thomas Hawley Tuberville, individually and in his capacity as the certified nominee of the Alabama Republican Party for the office of governor

Appellee's Attorney: Joe Espy, III Address: P. O. Drawer 5130
Phone: 334-263-6621 Email: jespy@mewlegal.com Montgomery, AL 36103

III. APPELLANT IS THE TRIAL COURT: ☒ Plaintiff ☐ Defendant ☐ Other IV. IS THIS A CROSS-APPEAL? ☐ Yes ☒ No

V. RELIEF AWARDED/REQUESTED: please check the appropriate block (s):

A. ☐ Monetary damages were either sought or awarded, as set out below:

1. Compensatory damages were:
 - (a) ☐ awarded in the amount of \$ _____;
 - (b) ☐ not awarded, but sought in the amount of \$ _____;
 - (c) ☐ sought, but not awarded - the amount sought was not specified in the complaint.
2. Punitive damages were:
 - (a) ☐ awarded in the amount of \$ _____;
 - (b) ☐ not awarded, but sought in the amount of \$ _____;
 - (c) ☐ sought, but not awarded - the amount sought was not specified in the complaint.
3. A general award of damages (not differentiating between compensatory and punitive) was:
 - (a) ☐ made in the amount of \$ _____;
 - (b) ☐ not made, but sought in the amount of \$ _____;
 - (c) ☐ sought, but not made - the amount sought was not specified in the complaint.
4. Other monetary damages (Type: _____) were:
 - (a) ☐ awarded in the amount of \$ _____;
 - (b) ☐ not awarded, but sought in the amount of \$ _____;
 - (c) ☐ sought, but not awarded - the amount sought was not specified in the complaint.

5. Was there a remittitur or additur at issue in the trial court? Yes No
(if yes, please provide the details in the "FACTS" section on the back of this form)

B. ☒ Equitable and/or declaratory relief was sought in the trial court

C. ☐ Other

(Please provide in the details of the issue(s) before the Court in the "ISSUES" section on the back of this form.)

VI. TYPE OF JUDGMENT OR ORDER APPEALED. (Please check one) :

- | | | |
|--|--|---|
| A ☐ Judgment based on a jury Verdict | D ☐ Order granting a New Trial | G ☒ Dismissal |
| B ☐ Judgment based on a Non-jury Decision | E ☐ Judgment as a Matter of Law | H ☐ Default Judgment |
| C ☐ Judgment Notwithstanding the Verdict (JNOV) | F ☐ Summary Judgment | I ☐ Other |

VII. IF THE CASE WENT TO TRIAL, HOW MANY DAYS DID THE TRIAL TAKE? _____

VIII. FINALITY OF JUDGMENT: Date of entry of judgment or order appealed from:

July 9 2026
Month Day Year

1. Is the judgment or order appealed from in compliance with Rule 58, Ala.R.Civ.P.? ☒ Yes ☐ No
2. Does the order appealed from constitute a disposition of all claims as to all parties? ☒ Yes ☐ No
3. If not, did the trial court enter an order intended to make the order final pursuant to Rule 54(b), Ala. R. Civ. P.? ☐ Yes ☐ No
4. If the trial court intended to make the order appealed from final pursuant to Rule 54 (b), Ala. R. Civ. P., did the court in the Rule 54 (b) order expressly determine that there was no just reason for delay and expressly direct that final judgment be entered? ☐ Yes ☐ No
5. If the answer to question 2 is "NO" , and the trial court did not make the order final by full compliance with Rule 54(b), Ala. R. Civ. P., please explain the basis for seeking appellate review and cite the authority for this appeal:

IX. POST-JUDGMENT MOTIONS: List all post-judgment motions by date of filing, type, and date of disposition

(whether by trial court order or by the provisions of Rule 59.1, A.R.Civ.P.):

DATE OF FILING			TYPE OF POST-JUDGMENT MOTION	DATE OF DISPOSITION		
Month	Date	Year		Month	Date	Year



State of Alabama
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**TRANSCRIPT PURCHASE ORDER
OF APPELLANT – CIVIL**

Form ARAP-1A

Rev. 10/24

(See Rules 10(b) and 11(a) of the Alabama Rules of Appellate Procedure)

APPELLANT

State of Alabama ex rel. Brook Lynne Dorgan and Justin Jude LeBlanc

v. APPELLEE

Thomas Hawley Tuberville, individually and in his capacity as the certified nominee of the Alabama Republican Par

Civil Action Number

03-CV-2026-901053

Trial Judge

The Honorable Brook Reid

Court Reporter

Haley Tunnell

County

Montgomery

Date of Notice of Appeal

July 14, 2026

PART I. TO BE COMPLETED AND FILED WITH THE COURT REPORTER BY APPELLANT WITHIN 7 DAYS OF THE FILING OF THE NOTICE OF APPEAL.

A. Request is hereby made to the reporter for a transcript of the following proceedings (give particulars):

NOTE: exhibits are included in the clerk's record and need not be specified - see Rule 10 (b)(1), A.R.App.p.

☒ Entire Transcript

☐ Testimony of Plaintiff

☐ Testimony of Defendant

☐ Testimony of Witness

☐ Testimony of Witness

☐ Oral Charges to the Jury

☐ Objection to Oral Charge

☐ Objection to Refused Requested Written

Charge(s), Numbers

☐ Others:

NOTE: Unless the entire transcript is ordered, appellant must attach a statement of the issues to pages 4 and 5.

B. I CERTIFY that I HAVE paid the Court Reporter the estimated cost of transcribing that part of the proceedings I have deemed necessary to be included in the record.

July 14, 2026

Date

Signature

205-536-8888

Telephone Number

NOTE: Upon Completion of PART I, appellant should distribute pages as follows:

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Pages 1, 2 and 3 – Court Reporter

Page 4 – Trial Court

Pages 5 – Appellee

Pages 6 – Retained by appellant

PART II. TO BE COMPLETED BY COURT REPORTER ON SAME DATE TRANSCRIPT PURCHASE ORDER IS RECEIVED.

A. Date Transcript Purchase Order Received

Estimated Completion Date

Estimated Number of Pages

Estimated Cost

B. I CERTIFY THAT ☐ I HAVE ☐ I HAVE NOT (Check one) been paid the estimated cost of the transcript.

Date

Signature

Telephone Number

NOTE: Upon Completion of PART II, Court Reporter should distribute pages as follows:

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Pages 1 and 2 – Retained by the Court Reporter

Pages 3 – Transmitted to the Appropriate Appellate Court on Same Date Transcript Purchase Order is Received.

PART III. CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION OF REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT

NOTE: This is to be completed by court reporter on date of filing of transcript in trial court. On the day of completion, this certificate must be forwarded to the appropriate appellate court (page 2) and copies thereof shall be served on the clerk of the trial court and each of the parties.

I CERTIFY that I have this date completed and filled with the clerk of the trial court the original of a true and correct transcript of the evidence and matters designated by the parties. All pages are numbered serially in the upper right corner of the pages, prefaced by an index, and ending with the following number:

I CERTIFY that photocopies of this certificate are this date being served on the clerk of the trial court and each of the parties, along with a copy of the index (with copies of the transcript as ordered).

Dated this _____ day of _____,

Court Reporter

NOTE: Upon Completion of PART III, Court Reporter should distribute pages as follows:

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Pages 1 - Retained by the Court Reporter

Pages 2 – Transmitted to the Appropriate Appellate Court

* Distribution Code:

Page 1: White

Page 2: Blue

Page 3: Green

Page 4: Canary

Page 5: Pink

Page 6: Goldenrod