



# IN THE SUPREME COURT OF ALABAMA

December 30, 2021

## ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that Rule 47, Alabama Rules of Judicial Administration, be adopted to read in accordance with the appendix to this order;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the adoption of Rule 47 be effective immediately; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following note from the reporter of decisions be added to follow Rule 47:

"Note from the reporter of decisions: The order adopting Rule 47, effective December 30, 2021, is published in that volume of Alabama Reporter that contains Alabama cases from \_\_ So. 3d."

**Parker, C.J., and Bolin, Shaw, Bryan, Sellers, Mendheim, Stewart, and Mitchell, JJ., concur.**

**Wise, J., recuses herself.**

**Witness my hand this 30th day of December, 2021.**

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Julia Jordan Miller".

**Clerk of Court,  
Supreme Court of Alabama**

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Supreme Court of Alabama**



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## APPENDIX

### Rule 47. Dismissal of Workers' Compensation Action Following Ombudsman-Approved Settlement

(A) A circuit court shall dismiss a pending action seeking relief under the Alabama Workers' Compensation Act, § 25-5-1 et seq., Ala. Code 1975, when the following conditions have been met:

(1) the parties have reached a settlement agreement that has been approved by an ombudsman of the Alabama Department of Labor pursuant to § 25-5-292, Ala. Code 1975, and

(2) the parties have filed in the circuit court the settlement agreement, including a copy of the settlement documents approved by the ombudsman, and a joint motion for dismissal, pursuant to Rule 41(a)(2), Ala. R. Civ. P.

(B) This rule shall not affect the application of § 25-5-292(b), Ala. Code 1975, to such actions.