

# The Supreme Court of South Carolina

Re: Amendment to Rule 25, South Carolina Rules of  
Family Court

Appellate Case No. 2016-000439

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## ORDER

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Pursuant to Article V, § 4, of the South Carolina Constitution, Rule 25 of the South Carolina Rules of Family Court is hereby amended as provided in the attachment to this order. This amendment shall be submitted to the General Assembly as provided by Art. V, § 4A of the South Carolina Constitution.

s/Donald W. Beatty C.J.

s/John W. Kittredge J.

s/Kaye G. Hearn J.

s/John Cannon Few J.

Columbia, South Carolina  
January 30, 2017

**Rule 25, South Carolina Rules of Family Court, is amended to provide:**

**RULE 25  
DISCOVERY**

Recognizing the unique nature of the court's jurisdiction and the need for a speedy determination thereof, the prompt voluntary exchange of information and documents by parties prior to trial is encouraged. However, the parties shall be allowed to engage in formal depositions and discovery according to the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure.

SUBMITTED TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY