

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR  
PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION**

**John William Liccione,**

Plaintiff,

v.

**Cathy Salustri-Loper, et al.,**

Defendants.

**Case No.: 24-003939-CI**

**Related Case No.: 2D2026-0281**

**ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO STAY COLLATERAL PROCEEDINGS PENDING  
APPEAL**

This cause came before the Court on Plaintiff's Motion to Stay Collateral Proceedings Pending Appeal. The Court, having considered the motion, the supporting memorandum, the Sworn Declaration of Plaintiff, the Application for Determination of Civil Indigent Status, Defendants Response, and being otherwise fully advised in the premises, finds as follows:

1. Plaintiff has filed a timely Notice of Appeal from this Court's Order dismissing the Third Amended Complaint with prejudice.
2. The Court reserved jurisdiction to determine attorney's fees and costs under Florida's Anti-SLAPP statute (§768.295, Fla. Stat.).
3. Plaintiff has filed an Application for Determination of Civil Indigent Status and has demonstrated significant financial hardship, negative net worth, and reliance on exempt SSDI benefits.
4. Good cause exists to stay collateral proceedings pending appellate review to avoid irreparable harm, preserve the status quo, promote judicial economy, and prevent mootness in the event of reversal.

It is therefore **ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** as follows:

1. Plaintiff's Motion to Stay Collateral Proceedings Pending Appeal is **GRANTED**.
2. All collateral proceedings in this case are hereby **STAYED** pending resolution of the appeal, including but not limited to:
  - Any proceedings to determine the amount of attorney's fees or costs under §768.295, Florida Statutes;
  - Entry or enforcement of any attorney's fees or costs judgment;

- Any requirement that Plaintiff post a supersedeas bond, security deposit, or other financial condition; and
  - Any proceedings seeking to designate Plaintiff as a vexatious litigant or impose related sanctions under §68.093, Florida Statutes.
3. No supersedeas bond or other security is required as a condition of this stay.
  4. This stay shall remain in effect until the issuance of the mandate by the Second District Court of Appeal or further order of this Court.
  5. The Clerk is directed to transmit a copy of this Order to the Second District Court of Appeal.

**DONE AND ORDERED** in Chambers at Clearwater, Pinellas County, Florida, on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

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Honorable Circuit Court Judge

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