

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF ORANGEBURG  
Robert Geathers and Debra Geathers,  
Plaintiffs,

vs.

National Collegiate Athletic Association,

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

C/A#: 2019-CP-38-00550

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QUESTION 1:

Did the NCAA unreasonably increase the risk of harm of head impacts to Robert Geathers over and above the risks inherent in playing football?

☒ Yes

☐ No

QUESTION 2:

Did the NCAA voluntarily assume a duty to protect the health and safety of Robert Geathers?

☒ Yes

☐ No

**QUESTION 3:**

Did the NCAA negligently breach their duty to Plaintiff Robert Geathers proximately causing him damages?

☒ Yes (go to 4)

☐ No (end deliberations)

**QUESTION 4:**

How many occurrences do you find, if any?

State the number of occurrences: 41 (go to 5)

**QUESTION 5:**

What are the total actual damages for Robert Geathers?

Answer: \$ 10,000,000 (go to 6)

**QUESTION 6:**

Did the negligence of the NCAA proximately cause a loss of consortium for Debra Geathers?

☒ Yes

☐ No (end deliberations)

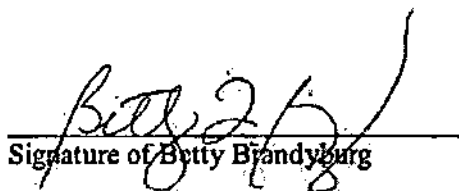
If you answered "Yes" to question 6 go to question 7.  
If you answered "No" to question 6 end deliberations.

QUESTION 7:

What are the total actual damages for Debra Geathers' loss of consortium claim?

Answer: \$ 8,000,000

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Signature of Betty Brandyburg

## FORM 4

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
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## JUDGMENT IN A CIVIL CASE

CASE NO. 2019-CP-38-00550

ROBERT GEATHERS AND DEBRA  
GEATHERS

PLAINTIFFS

NATIONAL COLLEGIATE  
ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

DEFENDANT

Submitted by: COURT

Attorney for : ☐ Plaintiff ☐ Defendant  
or  
☐ Self-Represented Litigant

## DISPOSITION TYPE (CHECK ONE)

- ☒ **JURY VERDICT.** This action came before the court for a trial by jury. The issues have been tried and a verdict rendered.
- ☐ **DECISION BY THE COURT.** This action came to trial or hearing before the court. The issues have been tried or heard and a decision rendered.
- ☐ **ACTION DISMISSED** (CHECK REASON): ☐ Rule 12(b), SCRPC; ☐ Rule 41(a), SCRPC (Vol. Nonsuit); ☐ Rule 43(k), SCRPC (Settled); ☐ Other
- ☐ **ACTION STRICKEN** (CHECK REASON): ☐ Rule 40(j), SCRPC; ☐ Bankruptcy; ☐ Binding arbitration, subject to right to restore to confirm, vacate or modify arbitration award; ☐ Other
- ☐ **DISPOSITION OF APPEAL TO THE CIRCUIT COURT** (CHECK APPLICABLE BOX): ☐ Affirmed; ☐ Reversed; ☐ Remanded; ☐ Other

**IT IS ORDERED AND ADJUDGED:** ☐ See attached order (formal order to follow) ☒ Statement of Judgment by the Court:

The trial of this case commenced on October 13, 2025. On October 23, 2025, the jury returned a verdict in favor of Plaintiffs in the sum of \$18,000,000.

By agreement, counsel shall have twenty-one (21) days to file any post-trial motions. Motions shall be due on Monday, November 17, 2025.

## ORDER INFORMATION

This order ☒ ends ☐ does not end the case.

Additional Information for the Clerk :

## INFORMATION FOR THE JUDGMENT INDEX

Complete this section below when the judgment affects title to real or personal property or if any amount should be enrolled. If there is no judgment information, indicate "N/A" in one of the boxes below.

Judgment in Favor of (List name(s) below)	Judgment Against (List name(s) below)	Judgment Amount To be Enrolled (List amount(s) below)
Robert Geathers	NCAA	\$10,000,000.00
Debra Geathers	NCAA	\$8,000,000.00

		\$
If applicable, describe the property, including tax map information and address, referenced in the order:		

The judgment information above has been provided by the submitting party. Disputes concerning the amounts contained in this form may be addressed by way of motion pursuant to the SC Rules of Civil Procedure. Amounts to be computed such as interest or additional taxable costs not available at the time the form and final order are submitted to the judge may be provided to the clerk.

**Note: Title abstractors and researchers should refer to the official court order for judgment details.**

**E-Filing Note: In E-Filing counties, the Court will electronically sign this form using a separate electronic signature page.**

s/ Frank R. Addy, Jr.

**Circuit Court Judge**

2159

**Judge Code**

October 24, 2025

**Date**

### For Clerk of Court Office Use Only

This judgment was entered on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ and a copy mailed first class or placed in the appropriate attorney's box on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ to attorneys of record or to parties (when appearing pro se) as follows:

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**ATTORNEY(S) FOR THE PLAINTIFF(S)**

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**ATTORNEY(S) FOR THE DEFENDANT(S)**

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**CLERK OF COURT**

**Court Reporters: Katherine Spires (1<sup>st</sup> week) & Krystal J. Smith (2<sup>nd</sup> week)**

**E-Filing Note: In E-Filing counties, the date of Entry of Judgment is the same date as reflected on the Electronic File Stamp and the clerk's entering of the date of judgment above is not required in those counties. The clerk will mail a copy of the judgement to parties who are not E-Fileers or who are appearing pro se. See Rule 77(d), SCRPC.**



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**Case Caption:** Robert Geathers , plaintiff, et al VS National Collegiate Athletic Association  
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So Ordered

S/ Frank R. Addy, Jr.