

Supreme Court of Florida

THURSDAY, JULY 8, 2021

CASE NO.: SC21-175

Lower Tribunal No(s).:

5D19-2549;

481997CA004541A001OX

BRINDA COATES, ETC.

vs.

R.J. REYNOLDS TOBACCO
COMPANY

Appellant(s)

Appellee(s)

The Court accepts jurisdiction of this case as to the Certified question of great public importance.

Petitioner's initial brief on the merits must be served on or before August 12, 2021; respondent's answer brief on the merits must be served thirty days after service of petitioner's initial brief on the merits; petitioner's reply brief on the merits must be served thirty days after service of respondent's answer brief on the merits; and respondent's cross-reply brief on the merits, if authorized, must be served thirty days after service of petitioner's reply brief on the merits.

The Clerk of the Fifth District Court of Appeal must file the record which must be properly indexed and paginated on or before August 2, 2021. The Clerk may provide the record in the format as currently maintained at the district court, either paper or electronic.

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POLSTON, LABARGA, LAWSON, COURIEL, and GROSSHANS, JJ.,
concur.

The Court has determined that it should decline to accept
jurisdiction as to express and direct conflict.

POLSTON, LABARGA, LAWSON, COURIEL, and GROSSHANS, JJ.,
concur.

Oral argument will be set by separate order. Counsel for
parties will be notified of the oral argument date approximately
sixty days prior to oral argument.

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