

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BOLIVAR COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI  
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

**DEDRA PETERSON, as Surviving Daughter  
and Administratrix of the Estate of VELTHA  
LEE PETERSON, Deceased, and on Behalf of  
All Wrongful Death Beneficiaries**

**PLAINTIFF**

**VERSUS**

**DOCKET NO. 2019-0056**

**PHC-CLEVELAND, INC. d/b/a BOLIVAR  
MEDICAL CENTER, BLAKE SURGICAL  
ASSOCIATION, PLLC, and ROGER  
BLAKE, M.D.**

**DEFENDANTS**

**JUDGMENT**

**THIS CAUSE** having come before the court for trial by jury between Dedra Peterson, as Surviving Daughter and Administratrix of the Estate of Veltha Lee Peterson, Deceased, and on Behalf of All Wrongful Death Beneficiaries, and Roger Blake, M.D. and Blake Surgical Association, PLLC, all other parties having been previously dismissed, and said parties having appeared personally and through counsel and having announced ready for trial, a lawfully empaneled and sworn jury comprised of twelve good and lawful citizens of Bolivar County, 2<sup>nd</sup> Judicial, District, Mississippi, was empaneled to try the issues and, having heard all the testimony and arguments of counsel, returned the following verdict:

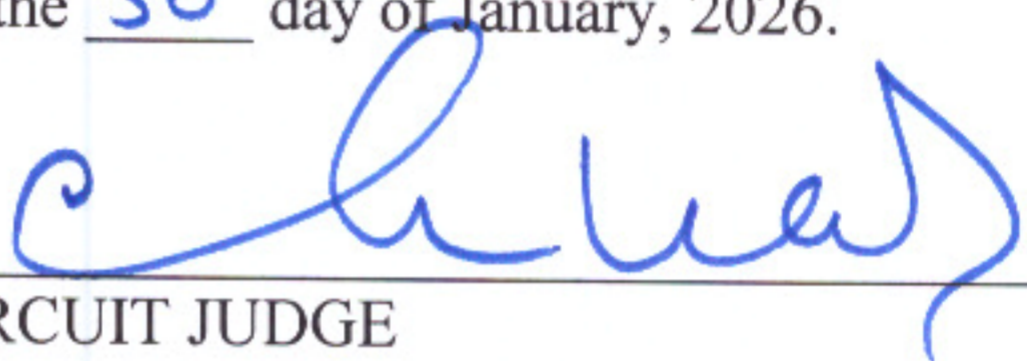
“We, the jury find for the Defendants.”

The court having determined that at least nine of the twelve jurors joined into such verdict, the court accepted such verdict as the verdict of the jury.

**IT IS THEREFORE, ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** that the Plaintiffs recover

nothing of and from the Defendants, Roger Blake, M.D. and Blake Surgical Association, PLLC, and the claim of Dedra Peterson, as Surviving Daughter and Administratrix of the Estate of Veltha Lee Peterson, Deceased, and on Behalf of All Wrongful Death Beneficiaries against the Defendants, Roger Blake, M.D. and Blake Surgical Association, PLLC, be and the same is hereby dismissed and final judgment is hereby entered in favor of the Defendants, Roger Blake, M.D. and Blake Surgical Association, PLLC, with all cost taxed to the Plaintiff.

**SO ORDERED and ADJUDGED** this the 30<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2026.

  
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CIRCUIT JUDGE