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ORDER ADOPTING AMENDMENT TO THE NORTH CAROLINA
RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE

Rule 25 of the North Carolina Rules of Appellate Procedure is hereby amended as described below:

Rule 25(b) is amended to read as follows:

(b) **Sanctions for Failure to Comply with Rules.** A court of the appellate division may, on its own initiative or motion of a party, impose a sanction against a party or attorney or both when the court determines that such a party or attorney or both substantially failed to comply with these appellate rules, including failure to pay any filing or printing fees or costs when due. The court may impose sanctions of the type and in the manner prescribed by Rule 34 for frivolous appeals.

This amendment to the North Carolina Rules of Appellate Procedure shall be effective on 15 March 2012.

This amendment shall be promulgated by publication in the Advance Sheets of the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals. These amendments also shall be published as quickly as practicable on the North Carolina Judicial Branch of Government Home Page (<http://www.nccourts.org/>).

s/Jackson, J.
For the Court