

BETTY J. SOUTHER, Petitioner v. NEW RIVER AREA MENTAL HEALTH
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAM,
Respondent

No.126A01

(Filed 5 October 2001)

Appeal pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 7A-30(2) from the decision of
a divided panel of the Court of Appeals, 142 N.C. App. 1, 541
S.E.2d 750 (2001), affirming an order entered 21 May 1999 by
Burke, J., in Superior Court, Wilkes County. Heard in the
Supreme Court 13 September 2001.

*Legal Services of the Blue Ridge, by Charlotte Gail Blake,
for petitioner-appellee.*

*McElwee Firm, PLLC, by William H. McElwee, III, and
Elizabeth K. Mahan, for respondent-appellant.*

PER CURIAM.

AFFIRMED.

Justice EDMUNDS did not participate in the consideration or
decision of this case.