

NORTH CAROLINA FARM BUREAU MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY, INC. v. TERRY DAVIS ARMWOOD, JR.; TERRY DAVIS ARMWOOD, SR., Individually and as Parent and Guardian for Terry Davis Armwood, Jr.; RAMONA ARMWOOD, Individually and as Parent and Guardian for Terry Davis Armwood, Jr.; JIMMY LEE BEST; and STELLA H. BOSTIC

No. 99A07

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Insurance-not-for-hire commercial vehicle-minimum liability coverage

The decision of the Court of Appeals in this case is reversed for the reason stated in the dissenting opinion that the minimum liability insurance coverage required by N.C.G.S. § 20-309(a1) for not-for-hire commercial vehicles is not written into each policy as a matter of law.

Supreme Court

Appeal pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 7A-30(2) from the

decision of a divided panel of the Court of Appeals, 181 N.C.

App. 407, 638 S.E.2d 922 (2007), affirming a judgment entered 13

July 2005 by Judge Edward E. Manning, Jr. in Superior Court, Wake

County. Heard in the Supreme Court 11 September 2007.

Slip Opinion

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PER CURIAM.

For the reasons stated in the dissenting opinion, the decision of the Court of Appeals is reversed and this matter is remanded to the Court of Appeals for further remand to the trial court for further proceedings not inconsistent with this opinion.

REVERSED AND REMANDED.

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