

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
Supreme Court Cause No. _____

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JBS Enterprises, LLC,
v.
Western Skyways, Inc.
Appellee.

NOTICE OF APPEAL

NOTICE is given that JBS Enterprises, LLC, the Appellant above-named and who is the Plaintiff in that cause of action filed in the Twenty-First Judicial District, in and for the County of Ravalli as Cause No. DV-41-2024-0000279-OC hereby appeals to the Supreme Court of the State of Montana from the final judgment or order entered in such action on the 26th day of November, 2025, filed herewith.

THE APPELLANT FURTHER CERTIFIES:

1. That this appeal X is/is not subject to the mediation process required by M. R. App. P. 7. If subject to mediation, the money judgment being sought is/is not X less than \$5,000.
2. That this appeal is/is not X an appeal from an order certified as final under M. R. Civ. P. 54(b). If this is such an appeal, a true copy of the District Court's certification order is attached hereto as Exhibit "A."
3. That the notice required by M. R. App. P. 27 has been or will be given, within 11 days of the date hereof, to the Supreme Court and to the Montana Attorney General with respect to a challenge to the constitutionality of any act of the Montana Legislature.
4. That all available transcripts of the proceedings in this cause X have been/have not been ordered from the court reporter contemporaneously with the filing of this notice of appeal. If all available transcripts have not been ordered, that Appellant has complied with the provisions of M. R. App. P. 8(3) contemporaneously with the filing of this notice of appeal.
5. That included herewith is the filing fee prescribed by statute, or the affidavit to proceed without payment of the required filing fee prescribed in the Appendix of Forms as Form 3.

Dated this 1st day of December 2025.



Joan K. Mell, Attorney for JBS Enterprises, LLC

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have filed a true and accurate copy of the foregoing NOTICE OF APPEAL with the Clerk of the Montana Supreme Court; and that I have served true and accurate copies of the foregoing NOTICE OF APPEAL upon the Clerk of the District Court, each attorney of record, and each party not represented by an attorney in the above-referenced District Court action, as follows:

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Dated this 1st day of December 2025.



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I, Joan K. Mell, hereby certify that I have served true and accurate copies of the foregoing Notice - Notice of Appeal to the following on 12-01-2025:

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