# BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. REGIONAL HEARING

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In re:

Willie P. Burrell and The Willie P. Burrell Trust,

Respondents below,

Docket No. TSCA-05-2006-0012

TSCA APPEAL (11)-5

### NOTICE OF APPEAL

Appellants, Willie P. Burrell and The Willie P. Burrell Trust, pursuant to 40 C.F.R. Part 22, seek review of a Default Order and Initial Decision of the Presiding Officer, the Hon. Marcy A. Toney, issued on November 23, 2011, assessing a civil penalty in the amount of \$89,430.00, for six (6) alleged violations of Section 1018 of the Residential Lead Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992, 40 U.S.C. §§ 4851 et. seq.

#### ISSUES ON APPEAL

- 1. Whether appellants are entitled to relief from a default order for failure to timely file their answer when the government waited over 4 and one-half years to seek a default order.
  - 2. Whether appellants are entitled to relief from a default

order when their attorney was grossly negligent and disappeared prior to filing appellants' answer.

- 3. Whether appellants demonstrated meritorious defenses and mitigating factors to the complaint.
- 4. Whether the \$89,430.00 civil penalty levied against the appellants exceeded their legal liability.

## (THIS IDENTICAL DOCUMENT WAS FILED ELECTRONICALLY WITH THE EAB ON DECEMBER 28, 2011)

Respectfully submitted,

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Appellants, Willie P. Burrell and The Willie Burrell Trust hereby certify that this **NOTICE OF APPEAL**, in the above-captioned matter was served upon the following, by U.S. Mail, postage pre-paid, this 28<sup>th</sup> day of December 2011, to:

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