

Circuit Court for Baltimore City  
Case No. 24-C-18-000344

UNREPORTED  
IN THE COURT OF SPECIAL APPEALS  
OF MARYLAND

No. 2509

September Term, 2018

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GARY BAYNOR

v.

OFFICE OF THE STATE'S ATTORNEY FOR  
BALTIMORE CITY

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Kehoe,  
Gould,  
Kenney, James A., III  
(Senior Judge, Specially Assigned),

JJ.

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PER CURIAM

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Filed: December 30, 2019

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On March 7, 2018, Gary Baynor filed a complaint against the Office of the State’s Attorney for Baltimore City, appellee, claiming that it had violated the Public Information Act by not allowing him to inspect certain documents. The same day the clerk issued a writ of summons directing appellee to respond to the complaint within 60 days. Appellees have not yet filed a response and, other than a notice of contemplated dismissal filed by the clerk on July 11, 2018, no other orders have been entered by the circuit court. Mr. Baynor filed a notice of appeal on August 31, 2018. On appeal, he requests this Court to find that appellee violated the Public Information Act and to either order appellee to provide him with a copy of the records that he requests or to order the circuit court to enter a default judgment against appellee based on their failure to file an answer.

Generally, “a party may appeal only from a final judgment.” *St. Joseph Med. Ctr., Inc. v. Cardiac Surgery Assocs.*, 392 Md. 75, 84 (2006) (internal quotation marks and citation omitted). To constitute a final judgment, a ruling of the court must have various attributes, among them that the judgment must be intended by the court to be an unqualified, final disposition of the matter in controversy and it must adjudicate all claims against all parties. *Rohrbeck v. Rohrbeck*, 318 Md. 28, 41 (1989). Here, the case is still pending in the circuit court and no final judgment has been entered. Moreover, the court has not entered any appealable interlocutory orders that could be reviewed on appeal. Although Mr. Baynor asks us to enter a default judgment, such a request must

first be made in the circuit court. Because there are no appealable orders or judgments for us to review, the appeal must be dismissed.

**APPEAL DISMISSED. COSTS TO BE PAID BY APPELLANT.**