I certify that the Appellant's Notice of Appeal with Appeal Grounds contained herein are suitable for publication in accordance with paragraph 27 of the Practice Note SC CA 01.

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#### **DETAILS OF APPEAL**

- 1 This appeal is brought under section 101 of the Supreme Court Act 1970 (NSW).
- The appellant has filed and served a notice of intention to appeal, which was served on the prospective respondent on 22 April 2025.
- The appellant appeals from the whole of the decision below.

#### **APPEAL GROUNDS**

- The Court at first instance erred [at 30, 41, 54 and 55] in failing to find that the deceased had revoked her will of 22 May 2015 ("Will") where:
  - (a) there was insufficient evidence to rebut the presumption of revocation;
  - (b) there was evidence in support of the presumption of revocation that was not taken into account:
- The Court erred [at 60 and 61] in finding that even if the Will had been revoked, a document entitled "codicil" dated 14 June 2022 revived the Will where:
  - (a) as a matter of law, if the Will had been revoked, the Codicil did not have the effect of reviving the Will; and
  - (b) the Codicil did not reflect the testamentary intentions of the deceased within the meaning of section 8 of the Success Act 2006 (NSW) where the deceased's signature on the Codicil was not witnessed.
- The Court erred in finding [at 31] that Srdja and Gordana Jankovic were credible witnesses. Their evidence was, in material respects, glaringly improbable and directly contradicted by the evidence of other witnesses whom the Court accepted as credible.

#### **ORDERS SOUGHT**

- 1 Orders 1 3 made on 25 March 2025 be set aside.
- Orders 1 8 made on 7 April 2025 be set aside.
- 3 Orders in terms of prayers 1 4 of Further Amended Statement of Cross-claim filed on 3 November 2023.
- 4 A declaration that the deceased died intestate
- Order that the respondent pay the appellant's costs in the Court below and of the appeal.

- In the alternative, an order that appellant's costs in the Court below and of the appeal be paid out of the estate.
- 7 Such further or other order as the Court thinks fit.

# **UCPR 51.22 CERTIFICATE**

The right of appeal is not limited by a monetary sum.

### SIGNATURE OF LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE

This notice of appeal does not require a certificate under clause 4 of Schedule 2 to the <u>Legal</u> <u>Profession Uniform Law Application Act 2014</u>.

I have advised the appellant that court fees will be payable during these proceedings. These fees may include a hearing allocation fee.

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Signature

Capacity Solicitor on record

Date of signature 25 June 2025

#### NOTICE TO RESPONDENT

If your solicitor, barrister or you do not attend the hearing, the court may give judgment or make orders against you in your absence. The judgment may be for the orders sought in the notice of appeal and for the appellant's costs of bringing these proceedings.

Before you can appear before the court, you must file at the court an appearance in the approved form.

#### **HOW TO RESPOND**

Please read this notice of appeal very carefully. If you have any trouble understanding it or require assistance on how to respond to the notice of appeal you should get legal advice as soon as possible.

You can get further information about what you need to do to respond to the notice of appeal from:

- A legal practitioner.
- LawAccess NSW on 1300 888 529 or at www.lawaccess.nsw.gov.au.
- The court registry for limited procedural information.

Court forms are available on the UCPR website at <a href="www.ucprforms.nsw.gov.au">www.ucprforms.nsw.gov.au</a> or at any NSW court registry.

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A list of parties must be filed and served with this notice of appeal.

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