

Court of Appeals of the State of Georgia

ATLANTA, October 07, 2026

The Court of Appeals hereby passes the following order:

**A27A0526. LINDA WILLIAMS v. CAPITAL ONE, N.A., SUCCESSOR BY
MERGER TO DISCOVER BANK.**

In this action to recover money due on a credit account, the trial court entered summary judgment against Linda Williams on March 16, 2026. On July 29, 2026, the trial court denied Williams's motion for reconsideration. She then filed this appeal on August 26, 2026. We lack jurisdiction.

A notice of appeal must be filed within 30 days of entry of the judgment or trial court order sought to be appealed. OCGA § 5-6-38(a). The proper and timely filing of a notice of appeal is an absolute requirement to confer appellate jurisdiction on this Court. *Perlman v. Perlman*, 318 Ga. App. 731, 739(4) (734 SE2d 560) (2012). While the grant of summary judgment is subject to direct appeal under OCGA § 9-11-56(h), a motion for reconsideration does not extend the time for filing an appeal, and the denial of a such a motion is not appealable in its own right. See *Ferguson v. Freeman*, 282 Ga. 180, 181(1) (646 SE2d 65) (2007). Because Williams's appeal was filed 163 days after the summary judgment order, we lack jurisdiction over this untimely appeal, which is hereby DISMISSED.



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Clerk's Office, Atlanta, 10/07/2026

*I certify that the above is a true extract from
the minutes of the Court of Appeals of Georgia.*

*Witness my signature and the seal of said court
hereto affixed the day and year last above written.*

Christina Bailey Smith

, Clerk.