

**UNPUBLISHED**

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

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**No. 16-1058**

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RONALD L. TUCK,

Plaintiff - Appellant,

v.

MASONIC EASTERN STAR HOME OF N.C., d/b/a Whitestone  
Retirement Community; LIFE CARE SERVICES LLC,

Defendants - Appellees.

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Appeal from the United States District Court for the Middle  
District of North Carolina, at Greensboro. Catherine C. Eagles,  
District Judge. (1:15-cv-00684-CCE-JLW)

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Submitted: May 18, 2016

Decided: May 20, 2016

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Before SHEDD, DIAZ, and HARRIS, Circuit Judges.

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Dismissed by unpublished per curiam opinion.

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Ronald L. Tuck, Appellant Pro Se. Michael Douglas McKnight,  
OGLETREE DEAKINS NASH SMOAK & STEWART, PC, Raleigh, North  
Carolina, for Appellees.

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Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit.

PER CURIAM:

Ronald L. Tuck seeks to appeal the district court's order dismissing his civil action alleging employment discrimination. We dismiss the appeal for lack of jurisdiction because the notice of appeal was not timely filed.

Parties are accorded 30 days after the entry of the district court's final judgment or order to note an appeal, Fed. R. App. P. 4(a)(1)(A), unless the district court extends the appeal period under Fed. R. App. P. 4(a)(5), or reopens the appeal period under Fed. R. App. P. 4(a)(6). "[T]he timely filing of a notice of appeal in a civil case is a jurisdictional requirement." Bowles v. Russell, 551 U.S. 205, 214 (2007).

The district court's order was entered on the docket on December 14, 2015. The notice of appeal was filed 31 days later, on January 14, 2016. Because Tuck failed to file a timely notice of appeal or to obtain an extension or reopening of the appeal period, we dismiss the appeal. We dispense with oral argument because the facts and legal contentions are adequately presented in the materials before this court and argument would not aid the decisional process.

DISMISSED