

COA Opinion: In divorce case, court could appoint receiver to investigate corporate funds and records, once the corporation is joined as a party

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Plaintiff alleged that her ex-husband tried to defraud her of money owed to her as part of the property settlement and attorney fees awarded in the couple's divorce judgment, by concealing income in a corporation coowned by defendant and his brother. In October 2008, the trial court had entered a divorce judgment that had awarded plaintiff a \$50,000 property settlement and \$40,000 in attorney fees. In March 2010, after less drastic methods were employed without success, the trial court appointed a receiver to preserve funds and property that could be used to satisfy defendant's debt to the plaintiff from the divorce judgment. In [Shouneyia v Shouneyia, No. 297007](#), the Court of Appeals affirmed the trial court's appointment of a receiver but instructed the trial court to add the corporation as a party to this case.