

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
STATESVILLE DIVISION
CIVIL ACTION NO. 5:14-CV-36**

THE GUARDIAN LIFE INSURANCE)
COMPANY OF AMERICA,)
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 Plaintiff,)
)
 v.)
)
 MARVIN ANTONIO HILL, ANNETTE)
 REED BOLDEN, and ROBERT A.)
 MULLINAX, AS ADMINISTRATOR OF)
 THE ESTATE OF LOUVER M. HILL,)
)
 Defendants.)
)

ORDER

BEFORE THE COURT is Annette Reed Bolden’s Motion to Stay (Doc. 32) to which Robert Mullinax does not object. The Court finds that a stay is appropriate given the ongoing criminal proceedings against Marvin Antonio Hill. A stay prevents the unnecessary expenditure of resources by both the parties and the Court by allowing the slayer issue to potentially be determined by the criminal proceeding. *Prudential Ins. Co. of Am. v. Bynum*, No. 5:11-CV-62-FL, 2012 WL 555757, at *2 (E.D.N.C. Feb. 21, 2012) (granting stay while defendant appealed his criminal conviction).

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED THAT

- (1) Annette Reed Bolden’s Motion to Stay (Doc. 32) be **GRANTED**; and
- (2) The case be stayed pending disposition of all criminal matters against Defendant Marvin Antonio Hill arising out of or relating to the death of Louver M. Hill.

Signed: November 24, 2014



Richard L. Voorhees
United States District Judge

