

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF
TENNESSEE**

Tri-State Thermo King, Inc. v. Depositors Insurance Company

No. 2:25-cv-02760-SHL-atc (W.D. Tenn. Jan. 14, 2026) · No. 2:25-cv-02760-SHL-atc · Decided January 14,
2026

SUMMARY

The United States District Court for the Western District of Tennessee entered judgment appointing Judge Robert “Butch” Childers as the appraisal umpire in an insurance dispute between Tri-State Thermo King, Inc. and Depositors Insurance Company. The court retained jurisdiction to enforce any appraisal award if necessary.

OPINION

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PER CURIAM.

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
WESTERN DIVISION

TRI-STATE THERMO KING, INC.,)

) Plaintiff,)) v.) No. 2:25-cv-02760-SHL-atc)

DEPOSITORS INSURANCE COMPANY,)

) Defendant.)

JUDGMENT

JUDGMENT BY COURT. This action having come before the Court on Plaintiff’s Petition to Appoint Neutral Umpire (ECF No. 1), filed July 31, 2025, IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that, in accordance with the Order Appointing Umpire (ECF No. 19), filed January 14, 2026, Judge Robert “Butch” Childers shall serve as Appraisal Umpire. The Court shall retain jurisdiction to enforce the appraisal award, if necessary, pursuant to Kokkonen v. Guardian Life Insurance Company of America, 511 U.S. 375, 381–82 (1994). APPROVED: s/ Sheryl H. Lipman

SHERYL H. LIPMAN

CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

January 14, 2026 Date