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S.C. SUPREME COURT

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE SUPREME COURT

Writ of Certiorari to Charleston County

The Honorable Jennifer B. McCoy, Post Conviction Relief Judge

Case No. : 2011-CP-10-378A

DARRELL L. GOSS,

Appellant,

vs.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

Respondent.

MOTION TO PROCEED
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MOTION TO EXPEDITE

Appellant, Darrell L. Goss, pro se, hereby respectfully asks the Court to allow him to represent himself in this appeal. Austin v. State, 305 S.C. 453, 409 S.E.2d 395 (1991). Appellant makes the Court aware of the fact that he has been tirelessly studying law (with special attention given to this case) since March of 2009 after his wrongful conviction and has greatfully earned the reputation of a jailhouse lawyer within the prison walls. Moreover, Appellant indeed represented himself at the PCR hearing which is the subject of this appeal.

Wherefore, premises considered, this Court should grant Appellant's motion to proceed pro se in this matter.

Additionally, Appellant respectfully asks the Court to expedite his appeal based on the following reasons:

Darrell L. Goss, Sr., has been imprisoned for 15 and a half years for crimes that he has consistently declared he's innocent of. After a jury convicted him, he was sentenced to a 20 year prison term. Goss is currently set to be released from prison on September 12, 2025 — three more years.

This PCR case was initially filed May 27, 2011 and has been

pending for over 11 years, without a final adjudication on the merits of Mr. Goss' claims. Throughout the course of this case, Goss has repeatedly raised the issue of inordinate or excessive delay. As a matter of fact, this is one of Goss' issue that he intends to raise in this appeal.

Pursuant to South Carolina Constitution Article I, Section 9 ; and the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution, Goss is entitled to a speedy remedy. Maner v. Maner, 278 S.C. 377, 296 S.E.2d 533 (1982) ("Constitutional right of every person to a speedy remedy in the courts includes the right to speedy civil appeal") ; and Barker v. Wingo, 407 U.S. 514, 92 S.Ct. 2182 (1972) .

By the time this appeal is finished going through its normal course, Goss will have ^{fully} completed his illegal conviction and sentence. This does not reflect justice here in South Carolina or any other state for that matter.

Accordingly, this Court should grant Appellant's motion to expedite this appeal.

Respectfully Submitted,
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