

The Supreme Court of South Carolina

United States of America, Plaintiff,

v.

Patrick Fitzgerald Clemons, Defendant.

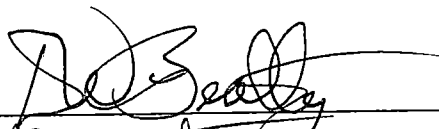
Appellate Case No. 2022-001378


ORDER

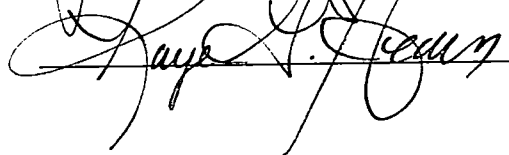
Pursuant to Rule 244, SCACR, the Court will answer the following questions certified to this Court by order of the Honorable Barbara Milano Keenan, Senior Circuit Judge for the United States Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals:

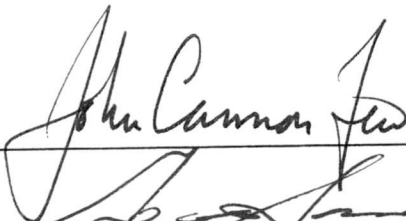
1. What mental state is required to commit South Carolina Assault and Battery, Second Degree, in violation of S.C. Code [Ann.] § 16-3-600?
2. What mental state is required to commit South Carolina Criminal Domestic Violence of a High and Aggravated Nature, in violation of S.C. Code [Ann.] § 16-25-65?

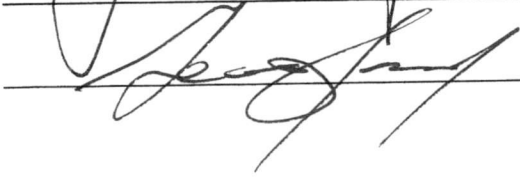
The parties shall proceed to serve and file briefs as provided by Rule 244(e), SCACR. The parties are reminded Rule 244, SCACR, does not provide for the filing of initial briefs; therefore, only final briefs should be filed in this matter.


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Columbia, South Carolina
October 26, 2022

cc: Adair Ford Boroughs, Esquire
Justin William Holloway, Esquire
Elizabeth Anne Franklin-Best, Esquire
Kathleen Michelle Stoughton, Esquire
The Honorable Barbara Milano Keenan
The Honorable Naeemah R. Sims
The Honorable Robin Lynne Blume
The Honorable Patricia S. Connor