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EXCEPT AS PROVIDED BY RULE 268(d)(2), SCACR.**

**THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
In The Supreme Court**

The State, Respondent,

v.

William Lee Carpenter, Petitioner.

Appellate Case No. 2021-000711

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Appeal from Greenville County  
Letitia H. Verdin, Circuit Court Judge

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Memorandum Opinion No. 2023-MO-004  
Heard January 12, 2023 – Filed January 25, 2023

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**DISMISSED AS IMPROVIDENTLY GRANTED**

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**PER CURIAM:** We granted a writ of certiorari to review the decision of the court

of appeals in *State v. Carpenter*, Op. No. 2021-UP-182 (S.C. Ct. App. filed May 19, 2021). We now dismiss the writ as improvidently granted.

**DISMISSED AS IMPROVIDENTLY GRANTED.**

**KITTREDGE, Acting Chief Justice, HEARN, FEW, JAMES, JJ., and Acting Justice H. Bruce Williams, concur.**