

# The Supreme Court of South Carolina

Ashley Prior, Petitioner,

v.

State of South Carolina, Respondent.

Appellate Case No. 2022-000564

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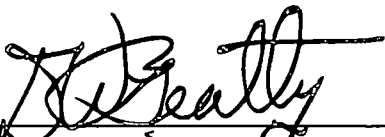
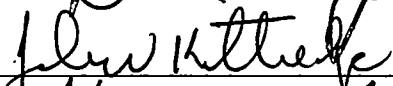

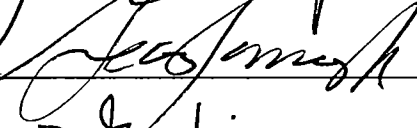
## ORDER

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Following a hearing, Petitioner's application for post-conviction relief (PCR) was denied. Petitioner filed a notice of appeal, and counsel for Petitioner has filed a petition pursuant to *Johnson v. State*, 294 S.C. 310, 364 S.E.2d 201 (1988).

Tara Dawn Shurling now asks the Court for an extension and permission to file a response on Petitioner's behalf to the *Johnson* petition. In the alternative, Ms. Shurling asks to be substituted as counsel for Petitioner and be allowed to prepare an amended petition for a writ of certiorari or for Petitioner to be granted an extension to serve and file a *pro se* response to the *Johnson* petition. Finally, Ms. Shurling asks the Court to stay any decision on the petition for a writ of certiorari until she can determine whether mental health records she has obtained were presented to the PCR court.

Ms. Shurling's requests to be allowed to file a response to the *Johnson* petition on Petitioner's behalf and to delay a decision in this matter pending a determination as to whether the mental health records were presented to the PCR court are denied. We grant Ms. Shurling's motion to be substituted as counsel for Petitioner. Ms. Shurling must file an amended petition for a writ of certiorari within thirty days of the date of this order.

	C.J.
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Columbia, South Carolina  
May 16, 2023

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