

The South Carolina Court of Appeals

James Lawton, Petitioner,

v.

State of South Carolina, Respondent.

Appellate Case No. 2009-148606

ORDER

Petitioner's application for post-conviction relief was denied by Judge Lee S. Alford. No notice of appeal was filed. Petitioner now seeks a writ of certiorari from an order issued by Judge Edgar W. Dickson granting Petitioner a belated review of Judge Alford's order pursuant to *Austin v. State*, 305 S.C. 453, 409 S.E.2d 395 (1991).

We grant the petition for a writ of certiorari from Judge Dickson's order, dispense with further briefing, and proceed with an *Austin* review of Judge Alford's order.

The petition for a writ of certiorari from Judge Alford's order is denied.

Paul E. Short, Jr.

J.

Paul W. Thomas

J.

Daniel G. Pieper

J.

Columbia, South Carolina

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