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The Honorable Winnifa Brown-Clark  
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## REMITTITUR

Re: Lawton, James v. The State  
Lower Court Case No. 2009CP3800734  
Appellate Case No. 2009-148606

Dear Clerk of Court:

The above referenced matter is hereby remitted to the lower court or tribunal. A copy of the judgment of this Court is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

*V. Claire Allen, Deputy*

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Enclosure

cc: Mary Shannon Williams  
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# The South Carolina Court of Appeals

James Lawton, Petitioner,

v.

State of South Carolina, Respondent.

Appellate Case No. 2009-148606

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## ORDER

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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

**FILED**

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cc: Mary Shannon Williams  
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