

# The South Carolina Court of Appeals

Billy Ray Smith, Petitioner,

v.

State of South Carolina, Respondent.

Appellate Case No. 2022-001682

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## ORDER

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This matter is before the court on a petition for a writ of certiorari following the denial of Petitioner's application for post-conviction relief.

Petitioner's counsel asserts that the petition is without merit and requests permission to withdraw from further representation. Petitioner has filed a pro se petition.

Based on the vote of the panel after careful consideration of the entire appendix as required by *Johnson v. State*, 294 S.C. 310, 364 S.E.2d 201 (1988), the petition for a writ of certiorari is denied and counsel's request to withdraw is granted.

FOR THE COURT  
BY  CLERK

Columbia, South Carolina

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The Honorable Eugene C. Griffith, Jr.

**FILED**  
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