

The South Carolina Court of Appeals

Johnnie Walker Gaskins, Petitioner,

v.

State of South Carolina, Respondent.

Appellate Case No. 2023-000885

ORDER

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

Based on the vote of the panel, the court grants the petition for a writ of certiorari from Judge Brown's order, dispenses with further briefing, and proceeds with an *Austin* review of Judge Cooper's order.

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

FOR THE COURT

BY


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Columbia, South Carolina

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The Honorable G. Thomas Cooper, Jr.

The Honorable D. Craig Brown