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**S.C. SUPREME COURT**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE SUPREME COURT

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On Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the Court of Appeals  
Appeal from Spartanburg County  
Honorable J. Mark Hayes, II, Circuit Court Judge  
Appellate Case No. 2026-000368

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GARY LAMONT PETTY,

Petitioner,

vs.

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

Respondent.

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**PROOF OF SERVICE**

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I, Grace Sommer, certify I have served the within Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari on Petitioner by mailing a copy to the following individual:

Gary Lamont Petty, # 264235  
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I further certify all parties required by Rule to be served have been served.  
This 24th day of March, 2026.



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