

The South Carolina Court of Appeals

Reginald R. White, Jr., Petitioner,

v.

State of South Carolina, Respondent.

Appellate Case No. 2023-001400

ORDER

Petitioner's application for post-conviction relief was denied by Judge Thomas A. Russo. No notice of appeal was filed. Petitioner now seeks a writ of certiorari from an order issued by Judge Heath P. Taylor granting Petitioner a belated review of Judge Russo'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 Taylor's order, dispenses with further briefing, and proceeds with an *Austin* review of Judge Russo's order.

The petition for a writ of certiorari from Judge Russo's order is granted as to Question I and denied as to Questions II and III in the petition for writ of certiorari filed on January 18, 2024. The parties shall proceed to serve and file the appendix and briefs as provided by Rule 243(j), SCACR.

FOR THE COURT

BY


CLERK

Columbia, South Carolina
April 15, 2026

cc:

Clarence Rauch Wise, Esquire

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The Honorable Heath P. Taylor

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