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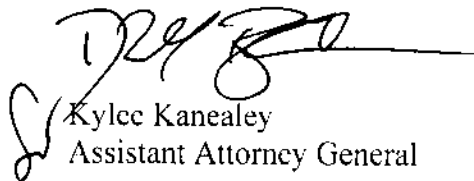
The Honorable Jvonndra Brooks-Creech
Hampton County Clerk of Court
Post Office Box 7
Hampton, South Carolina 29924-0007

Re: Courtney Sease, #328318 v. State of South Carolina
Case No. 2024-CP-25-00118

Dear Mrs. Brooks-Creech:

Enclosed please find the original Final Order of Dismissal signed by The Honorable Marvin H. Dukes, III, in the above-captioned case, for filing in your office. Please forward a time-stamped copy back to our office for our file.

Sincerely,


Kylee Kanealey
Assistant Attorney General

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Enclosure

cc: Courtney Sease, #328318

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF HAMPTON

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
IN THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Jvonndra Brooks-Greech
Clerk of Court
Hampton County SC

Courtney Sease, #328318,
Applicant,

Case No. 2024-CP-25-00118

v.

FINAL ORDER OF DISMISSAL

State of South Carolina,
Respondent.

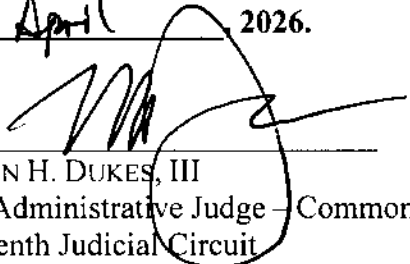
This matter is before the Court by way of an application for Post-Conviction Relief (PCR) filed by Courtney Sease (Applicant) on April 16, 2024. Respondent filed a return and motion to dismiss the application as successive and untimely. After review of the record and pleadings, this Court agreed this application should be summarily dismissed and provisionally dismissed the action by way of a Conditional Order of Dismissal filed July 28, 2025, giving Applicant twenty days from the date of service of said Order to show why the dismissal should not become final. Attached to this Final Order and incorporated herein by reference is an Affidavit of Service indicating Applicant was served the Conditional Order of Dismissal on March 2, 2026.

On August 7, 2025, Applicant filed a Response to the Conditional Order of Dismissal with the Clerk of Court. This Court finds Applicant has failed to set forth any valid basis for an evidentiary hearing. Applicant alleges the application should not be dismissed because it raises a claim of subject matter jurisdiction. This claim fails as a matter of law. See State v. Gentry, 363 S.C. 93, 101, 610 S.E.2d 494, 499 (2005) (“[S]ubject matter jurisdiction of the circuit court and the sufficiency of the indictment are two distinct concepts and the blending of these concepts serves only to confuse the issue. *Circuit courts obviously have subject matter jurisdiction to try criminal matters.*” (emphasis added)).

Applicant has not set forth sufficient allegations to warrant an evidentiary hearing; thus, this Court finds this application should be dismissed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that for the reasons set forth in the Court’s Conditional Order of Dismissal, this application for PCR is hereby **DENIED AND DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE**. Should Applicant wish to procure appellate review, he must file and serve a notice of appeal within thirty days of this Order. See Rule 203, SCACR. Applicant’s attention is directed to Rule 243, SCACR, for the procedures following the filing and service of the notice of appeal.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED this 9th day of April, 2026.


MARVIN H. DUKES, III
Chief Administrative Judge - Common Pleas
Fourteenth Judicial Circuit

Beaufort, South Carolina

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