

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
In The Court of Appeals

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APPEAL FROM LEXINGTON COUNTY  
J. Michael Baxley, Circuit Court Judge

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Indictment Nos. 2011-GS-32-0242  
2011-GS-32-0243  
2011-GS-32-0244

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EX PARTE:

South Carolina Department of Disabilities  
and Special Needs, ..... Appellant.

IN RE:

State of South Carolina, ..... Respondent,

v.

Rocky A. Linkhorn, ..... Respondent.

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**PETITION FOR WRIT OF SUPERSEDEAS  
OR STAY PENDING APPEAL**

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The Appellant South Carolina Department of Disabilities and Special Needs  
(DDSN) hereby petitions this Court for a writ of supersedeas or alternatively a stay

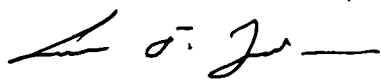
pending appeal of the Order Granting Solicitor's Rule to Show Cause Requiring DDSN to Accept Involuntary Commitment and Prohibiting Future Refusal by DDSN in Similar Cases filed September 26, 2013.

This petition is filed pursuant to Rule 241(c) and (d), SCACR, and based on the common law allowing a writ of supersedeas or stay pending appeal.

The grounds for this Petition are set forth in more detail in the supporting memorandum filed herewith.

This petition is based on the rules of court, the supporting memorandum filed herewith, the Appendix of documents from the Circuit Court files, the Affidavit of Steve Von Hollen (with exhibits), the Affidavit of David Goodell, and such further matters are the Court may allow.

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