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**THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In The Supreme Court**

Jason Black, Petitioner,

v.

State of South Carolina, Respondent.

Appellate Case No. 2025-002119

Appeal from Pickens County
R. Scott Sprouse, Circuit Court Judge

Memorandum Opinion No. 2026-MO-015
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DISMISSED AS IMPROVIDENTLY GRANTED

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PER CURIAM: We granted a writ of certiorari to review the court of appeals' decision in *Black v. State*, Op. No. 2025-UP-270 (S.C. Ct. App. filed July 30, 2025). We now dismiss the writ as improvidently granted.

DISMISSED AS IMPROVIDENTLY GRANTED.

KITTREDGE, C.J., JAMES, HILL and VERDIN, JJ., concur. FEW, J., not participating.