

# The Supreme Court of South Carolina

Warren K. Smith, Petitioner,

v.

State of South Carolina, Respondent.

Appellate Case No. 2014-002426

Lower Court Case No. 2013-CP-16-000942

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## ORDER

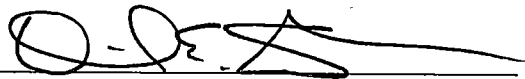
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By vote of the Court, the petition for a writ of certiorari from Judge Thomas Russo's order is granted. The Court further voted to dispense with further briefing and proceed with a belated review of Judge Ferrell Cothran's order pursuant to *Austin v. State*, 305 S.C. 453, 409 S.E.2d 395 (1991).

By vote of the Court, after careful consideration of the record as required by *Johnson v. State*, 294 S.C. 310, 364 S.E.2d 201 (1988), and petitioner's *pro se* petition, the petition for a writ of certiorari from Judge Cothran's order is denied and counsel's request to withdraw is granted.

FOR THE COURT

BY



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Columbia, South Carolina  
March 4, 2016

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