

The Supreme Court of South Carolina

Willie E. Dow, Petitioner,

v.

State of South Carolina, Respondent.

Appellate Case No. 2015-000933

ORDER

Petitioner's first application for post-conviction relief (PCR) was denied by Judge Jeffrey Young. No notice of appeal was filed. Petitioner now seeks a writ of certiorari from an order issued by Judge Maddox in petitioner's second PCR action finding, pursuant to Austin v. State, 305 S.C. 453, 409 S.E.2d 395 (1991), that petitioner is entitled to a belated review of the order issued in his first PCR action.

Petitioner's counsel has filed a petition pursuant to Johnson v. State, 294 S.C. 310, 364 S.E.2d 201 (1988) from Judge Young's order. Petitioner has filed a *pro se* petition.

We grant the petition for a writ of certiorari from Judge Maddox's order, dispense with further briefing, and proceed with an Austin review of Judge Young's order. After careful consideration of the entire record of petitioner's first PCR matter, as required by Johnson v. State, *supra*, we deny the petition from Judge Young's order and grant the motion to be relieved as counsel.



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C.J.

FOR THE COURT

Columbia, South Carolina

June 16, 2016

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