

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

Norman J. Hayes, Respondent,

v.

State of South Carolina, Petitioner.

Appellate Case No. 2015-002294

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**ON WRIT OF CERTIORARI  
TO THE COURT OF APPEALS**

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Appeal from Lexington County  
Edward W. Miller, Post-Conviction Relief Judge

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Opinion No. 27676  
Heard October 20, 2016 – Filed November 9, 2016

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**CERTIORARI DIMISSED AS IMPROVIDENTLY  
GRANTED**

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Attorney General Alan McCrory Wilson and Assistant  
Attorney General Patrick Lowell Schmeckpeper, both of  
Columbia, for Petitioner.

Appellate Defender Laura Ruth Baer, of Columbia, for  
Respondent.

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**PER CURIAM:** We granted a writ of certiorari to review the Court of Appeals decision in *Hayes v. State*, 413 S.C. 553, 777 S.E.2d 6 (Ct. App. 2015). After careful consideration of the appendices and briefs, the writ of certiorari is

**DISMISSED AS IMPROVIDENTLY GRANTED.**

**PLEICONES, C.J., BEATTY, KITTREDGE, HEARN and FEW, JJ.,  
concur.**