

The Supreme Court of South Carolina

Taurus Watts, Petitioner,

v.

State of South Carolina, Respondent.

Appellate Case No. 2016-000500

ORDER

Based on petitioner's response to this Court's order dated February 15, 2017, petitioner's counsel is relieved, and the records of this Court now indicate that petitioner is representing himself in this matter. The Division of Appellate Defense shall remain associated for the limited purpose of making copies of documents that are required to be served and filed under Rule 243 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules (SCACR).

The petition for a writ of certiorari filed by counsel is hereby stricken, and petitioner shall have thirty (30) days from the date of this order to provide a copy of a *pro se* petition for a writ of certiorari to the Division of Appellate Defense. This petition shall comply with the requirements of Rule 243(e), SCACR. The Division of Appellate Defense shall promptly serve the Office of the Attorney General with a copy of the petition and shall file the required copies of the petition, along with a proof of service showing that a copy of the petition has been served on the Office of the Attorney General, with this Court.



FOR THE COURT

C.J.

Columbia, South Carolina
February 28, 2017

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