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

James W. Trexler, Petitioner,

v.

The Associated Press, Barrington Broadcasting South  
Carolina Corp., Raycom TV Broadcasting, Inc., The  
Spartanburg Herald Journal, Inc., and The Pacific &  
Southern Co., Respondents.

Appellate Case No. 2015-001368

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

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Appeal from Richland County  
Joseph M. Strickland, Special Circuit Court Judge

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Memorandum Opinion No. 2016-MO-030  
Heard September 7, 2016 – Filed October 19, 2016

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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 *Trexler v. The Associated Press*, Op. No. 2015-UP-201 (S.C. Ct. App. filed Apr. 15, 2015). After careful consideration of the Appendix and briefs, the writ of certiorari is

**DISMISSED AS IMPROVIDENTLY GRANTED.**

**PLEICONES, C.J., BEATTY, KITTREDGE, JJ., and Acting Justice J. Mark Hayes, II, concur.**