

# The Supreme Court of South Carolina

The State, Petitioner,

v.

Robert Watkins, Respondent.

Appellate Case No. 2011-195272

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## ORDER

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Respondent has filed a *pro se* notice of disqualification asking that Justice Donald W. Beatty be recused in this matter. This request is denied for two reasons.

First, this *pro se* request is inappropriate since he is represented by counsel in this matter. *Miller v. State*, 388 S.C. 347, 697 S.E.2d 527 (2010); *Jones v. State*, 348 S.C. 13, 558 S.E.2d 517 (2002); *State v. Stuckey*, 333 S.C. 56, 508 S.E.2d 564 (1998); *Foster v. State*, 298 S.C. 306, 379 S.E.2d 907 (1989). Second, the basis for asserting that Justice Beatty should be disqualified in this matter is totally without merit.

Finally, Mr. Watkins continues to file *pro se* documents with this Court that are inappropriate under the cases cited above. If any further inappropriate *pro se* documents are sent to this Court (including any attempt to seek a rehearing of this order), they will simply be marked as rejected for filing by the Clerk and no action will be taken on them.

  
C.J.  
FOR THE COURT  
Kittredge, J., not participating

Columbia, South Carolina  
December 6, 2012

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