

The Supreme Court of South Carolina

Michael A. Weatherspoon, Petitioner,


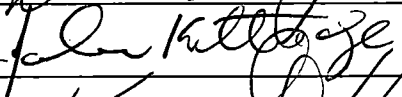
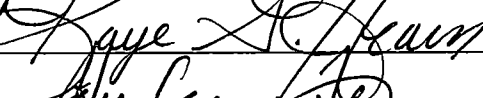
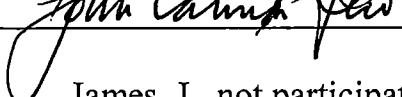
v.

State of South Carolina, Respondent.

Appellate Case No. 2016-002409

ORDER

This matter is before the Court on a petition for a writ of certiorari. The petition for a writ of certiorari is denied.¹

	C.J.
	J.
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James, J., not participating

Columbia, South Carolina

May 03, 2018

¹ Petitioner alleges plea counsel was ineffective for failing to file a direct appeal from petitioner's guilty plea. In addition to finding the allegation without merit, we find a direct appeal would, in any event, be to no avail, because the circuit court had subject matter jurisdiction to accept petitioner's guilty plea and no issue was preserved for direct review.

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