

The Supreme Court of South Carolina

Prentiss Wayne Love, Petitioner,

v.

State of South Carolina, Respondent.

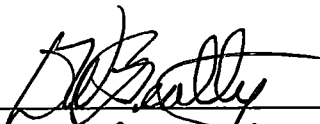
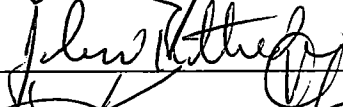
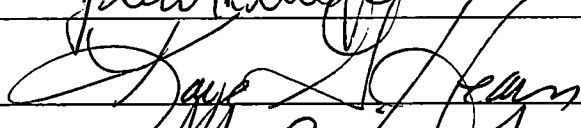
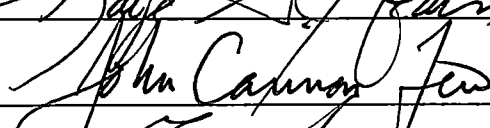
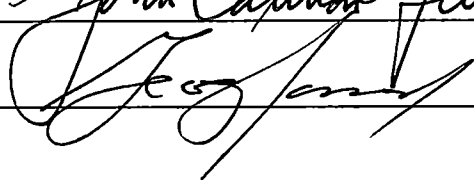
Appellate Case No. 2017-001689

ORDER

Petitioner moves to exceed the page limit set forth in Rule 243(e)(3), SCACR, by approximately 63 pages. We grant petitioner permission to file a petition for a writ of certiorari that is no more than fifty pages in length. We believe this can be achieved to some extent by making certain formatting changes.

Petitioner uses seven pages of the Statement of the Case to list all of the allegations of ineffective assistance of counsel that were raised in petitioner's applications for post-conviction relief (PCR). Rule 242(e)(1), SCACR, states the Statement of the Case should be concise and only contain the facts material to the consideration of the questions presented. A recitation of the allegations is unnecessary, especially in light of the fact the PCR applications are included in the appendix. At the beginning of each argument, petitioner, in addition to listing the questions presented addressed in the argument by number, also restates each of the questions presented. It appears petitioner could eliminate at least five pages from the petition by not re-stating the questions presented in the heading of each argument. *See* Rule 243(e)(1) (The petition shall contain the questions presented for review without unnecessary detail.); App. C to Part II, SCACR. There are also instances of blank space in the petition, whether between arguments or at the top and bottom of some pages. It also appears petitioner could shorten the petition by summarizing certain facts and testimony listed or quoted in indented portions of the petition, which consumes more space, and by eliminating repetitive statements of the testimony and basis for the claims within the arguments. *See* Rule 243(e)(3), SCACR (The arguments in the petition shall be direct and concise *and shall include citation of authority.*). Finally, petitioner shall ensure there are one

inch margins on all sides of the pages.


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Columbia, South Carolina

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