

# The Supreme Court of South Carolina

Estate of Deborah Elaine Woods by Vivian M. Woods as  
Personal Representative; and Vivian M. Woods,  
individually, Petitioners,

v.

Roosevelt Rawlins, Respondent.

and,

Estate of Deborah Elaine Woods by Vivian M. Woods as  
Personal Representative, and Vivian M. Woods,  
individually, Petitioners,

v.

Sharon Miller Young, Respondent.

Appellate Case No. 2018-002081

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## ORDER

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Petitioners have filed a notice of appeal from an order of the South Carolina Court of Appeals denying a motion to proceed *in forma pauperis*. Since a decision of the Court of Appeals is reviewed by a petition for a writ of certiorari under Rule 242 of the South Carolina Court of Appeals, this notice of appeal has been construed as a petition for a writ of certiorari.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> While not completely clear from the document, it appears that Vivian Woods has filed this petition not only in her individual capacity but also on behalf the Estate. To the extent she may be attempting to represent the Estate before this Court or the South Carolina Court of Appeals, this is improper since this Court can find no record that she is admitted to practice law in South Carolina. *Brown v. Coe*, 365 S.C. 137, 616 S.E.2d 705, *order clarified*, 365 S.C. 664, 620 S.E.2d 323 (holding a non-lawyer personal representative may not represent the estate in an appeal).

Since the Court of Appeals has not dismissed this appeal or otherwise disposed of the appeal, this petition for a writ of certiorari is dismissed. This dismissal is without prejudice to petitioners' ability to seek review in the manner provided by Rule 242, SCACR, once the Court of Appeals has issued an order or opinion which dismisses or otherwise disposes of the appeal, and has ruled on a petition for rehearing or reinstatement regarding that order or opinion.

  
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FOR THE COURT C.J.

Columbia, South Carolina  
November 29, 2018

cc: Douglas Whitsett Macneille, Esquire  
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The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings  
Ms. Vivian M. Woods