

The Supreme Court of South Carolina

Bank of America, N.A., Respondent,

v.

Catherine L. Bishop, Petitioner.

Appellate Case No. 2019-000132

Lower Court Case No. 2016CP0200381

ORDER

By order dated December 7, 2018, the South Carolina Court of Appeals dismissed the appeal in this matter. When no petition for rehearing or reinstatement was received, the Court of Appeals sent the remittitur to the circuit court on December 28, 2018.¹

Petitioner has now e-mailed a document entitled "Petition for a Writ of Certiorari to the Supreme Court" and "Motion for Immediate Injunction and Vacate Order" along with various other documents. These e-mails do not reflect that a copy of the e-mail was sent to the opposing counsel in this case.²

Under Rule 242(a) of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules (SCACR), this Court will only review a final decision of the Court of Appeals, and a decision is not final for the purposes of review until a petition for rehearing or reinstatement has been acted on by the Court of Appeals. Rule 242(c), SCACR. Since no petition for rehearing or reinstatement has been ruled on by the Court of Appeals in this matter, there is no final decision for this Court to review.

Further, when no petition for rehearing or reinstatement was received by the Court of Appeals, the Court of Appeals properly sent the remittitur. Rule 221, SCACR.

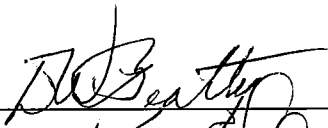
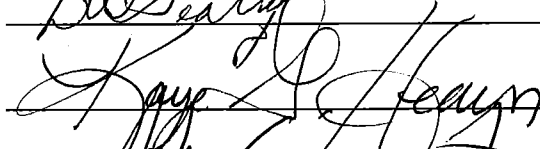

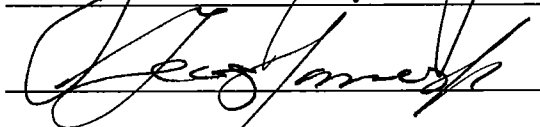
¹ Before the Court of Appeals, the Appellate Case Number was 2018-001768.

² A copy of these e-mails will be forwarded to opposing counsel.

The sending of the remittitur ended appellate jurisdiction over this case. *Wise v. S.C. Dept. of Corr.*, 372 S.C. 173, 642 S.E.2d 551 (2007).

Accordingly, to the extent the above document is intended to be a petition for a writ of certiorari to review the decision of the South Carolina Court of Appeals in this case, it is dismissed. Further, all other relief requested by petitioner is denied.

Finally, these e-mails appear to be improper *ex parte* communications with this Court. Accordingly, petitioner is hereby ordered not to send any further e-mails to the members of this Court or any member of the staff of this Court, and a violation of this restriction may result in petitioner being held in criminal contempt by this Court. Instead, if it is appropriate to file any further documents with this Court relating to this case, those documents must be filed with the Clerk of this Court in the manner specified by Rule 262(a), SCACR, and must be accompanied with any applicable filing fee along with a proof of service showing that a copy of the document has been served on the opposing counsel in the manner specified by Rule 262(b), SCACR.

 _____ C.J.
 _____ J.
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Kittredge, J., not participating.

Columbia, South Carolina
January 31, 2019

cc: Chad Wilson Burgess, Esquire
Ms. Catherine L. Bishop
The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
The Honorable Robert J. Harte