

# The South Carolina Court of Appeals

Jamal Hakeem, Petitioner,

v.

State of South Carolina, Respondent.

Appellate Case No. 2018-001116

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## ORDER

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Petitioner's counsel has submitted a petition for a writ of certiorari pursuant to *Johnson v. State*, 294 S.C. 310, 364 S.E.2d 210 (1988), and a motion to be relieved as counsel. The panel voted to deny the motion to be relieved as counsel and directs the parties to address the following question(s) and any other questions of arguable merit:

Whether trial counsel was ineffective in failing to file a motion to reconsider Petitioner's sentence after the trial judge communicated a plea offer to Petitioner and in failing to put this communication by the trial judge on the record when the trial judge imposed a sentence ten years harsher than its previously communicated fifteen-year offer?

Petitioner shall serve and file a petition for writ of certiorari on this question within thirty days of the date of this order. Thereafter, Respondent shall have thirty days to serve and file its return.

FOR THE COURT  
BY  CLERK

Columbia, South Carolina

**FILED**  
**Nov 04 2020**

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The Honorable J. Mark Hayes, II