

# The Supreme Court of South Carolina

Michael Letts, Appellant,

v.

Richland County and Richland County Board of  
Canvassers, Respondents.

S.C. Election Commission,

In Re: Richland County Sales Tax Referendum  
Questions 1 and 2

Appellate Case No. 2012-213679

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## ORDER

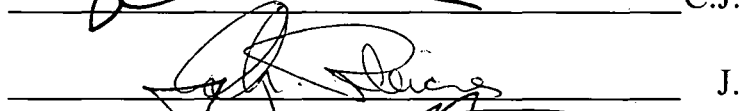
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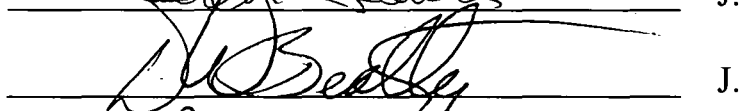
In November, the voters in Richland County voted to approve a referendum to impose a penny sales tax increase. Petitioner filed a protest with the Richland County Board of Elections and Voter Registration (County Board), which denied the protest. Petitioner filed an appeal with the State Board of Canvassers (State Board) and asked for a *de novo* hearing. The State Board denied the request for a *de novo* hearing and affirmed the decision of the County Board.

Petitioner now seeks a writ of certiorari to review the decision of the State Board. Richland County and the Central Midlands Regional Transit Authority (Intervenors) have filed a motion to dismiss and expedite, a motion to strike Tabs E-J of the Appendix prepared by petitioner, and a return opposing the petition for a writ of certiorari.

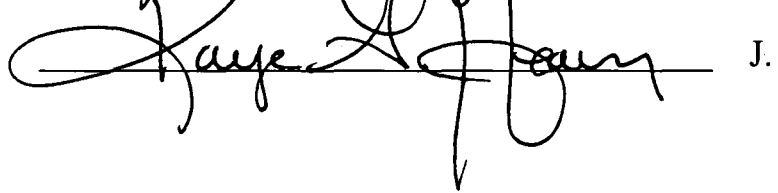
We deny the motion to dismiss and grant the motion to strike. This matter has been expedited, and the petition for a writ of certiorari is denied.

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Columbia, South Carolina

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