

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE SUPREME COURT

Certiorari to Sumter County

Honorable R. Kirk Griffin, Circuit Court Judge

QUENTIN D. HARDY,

PETITIONER

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT

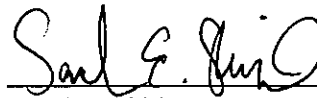
PETITION TO BE RELIEVED AS COUNSEL

Counsel for Quentin Dupree Hardy states:

1. She is Appellate Defender for the South Carolina Office of Appellate Defense, and was appointed to represent petitioner.
2. She has reviewed the record of petitioner's post-conviction relief hearing before Judge R. Kirk Griffin, which was held on March 8, 2021, and, in her opinion, the appeal is without legal merit sufficient to warrant a new trial.
3. She has, pursuant to Johnson v. State, 294 S.C. 310, 364 S.E.2d 201 (1988), briefed an arguable legal issue which arose during the post-conviction relief process.

Therefore, counsel requests that the Court relieve her as counsel for Quentin Dupree Hardy.

Respectfully Submitted,



Sarah E. Shipe
Appellate Defender

ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER

This 29th day of November, 2021.

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