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S.C. SUPREME COURT

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
In the Supreme Court

*On Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the Court of Appeals*  
APPEAL FROM HORRY COUNTY  
Steven H. John, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE.....RESPONDENT

v.

TOMMY LEE BENTON,.....PETITIONER

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**PROOF OF SERVICE**  
Appellate Case No. 2021-001498

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I, **Donna D'Alessio**, am an employee of the Respondent, hereby certify that as per the March 20, 2020 Order of the Chief Justice, the Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari, and Proof of Service has been forwarded to Petitioners's counsel, R. Walker Humphrey, II, Esq., via email today, January 19, 2022 to [whumphrey@willoughbyhoefer.com](mailto:whumphrey@willoughbyhoefer.com), and to [Rdudek@sccid.sc.gov](mailto:Rdudek@sccid.sc.gov), as well as to his assistant, [lmatthews@sccid.sc.gov](mailto:lmatthews@sccid.sc.gov).

I further certify that all parties required by Rule to be served have been served.

This 19<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2022.



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Donna D'Alessio,  
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