

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
 COUNTY OF COLLETON)
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 Christopher L. Williams, #281434)
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 Applicant,)
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 v.)
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 State of South Carolina,)
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 Respondent.)
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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
 FOR THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

2011-CP-15-0402

FINAL ORDER OF DISMISSAL

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COLLETON COUNTY
 COMMON PLEAS COURT

This matter comes before the Court by way of an application for post-conviction relief (PCR) May 4, 2011. Respondent received the application on January 31, 2014 and made its return on or about October 8, 2014, requesting the application be summarily dismissed based upon expiration of the statute of limitations and the presumption against successive PCR applications.

Pursuant to this request, and after reviewing the pleadings in this matter and all of the records attached thereto, this Court issued a Conditional Order of Dismissal signed October 13, 2014 and filed October 27, 2014, provisionally denying and dismissing this action, while giving the Applicant 20 days from the date of service in which to show why the dismissal should not become final. Attached to this Final Order and incorporated herein by reference is an Affidavit of Service dated March 30, 2016, serving the above-mentioned Conditional Order of Dismissal on the Applicant.

Applicant filed two *pro se* responses on April 4, 2016, captioned "Motion for Leave/Relief/Firing of Counsel" and "Motion/Plea For Extention [sic] of Time", in which Applicant requests that his current attorney be fired and requests time to hire his own and for additional time to submit documents to the Court based on the delay in serving him with the

Conditional Order of Dismissal.

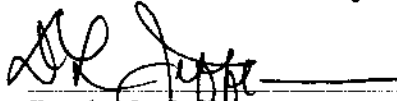
Applicant then filed a *pro se* response, captioned "Opposition to Order of Dismissal/See Amended Petition" on April 18, 2016, in which Applicant argues his second PCR application should not be dismissed because he was denied the right to effective assistance of PCR counsel during his first PCR hearing. Applicant has also filed a "Motion for Leave/Relief/Firing of Counsel" in which he asserts he does not want to be represented by his appointed attorney, Tristan Shaffer.

This Court has reviewed all pleadings, and finds that a sufficient reason has not been shown why the Conditional Order of Dismissal should not become final. Applicant still fails to state a cause of action upon which relief can be granted, and has presented no reason that this application should be reviewed despite its being filed after the expiration of the statute of limitations.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that for the reasons set forth in the Court's Conditional Order of Dismissal, the Application for post-conviction relief is hereby **DENIED AND DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE**.

This Court hereby advises the Applicant that he must file and serve a Notice of Appeal within thirty (30) days of the service of this Order to secure appellate review. *See* Rule 203, SCACR. Applicant's attention is directed to Rule 243, SCACR., for the procedures following the filing and service of the notice of appeal.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED this 8th day of July, 2020.


Deadra L. Jefferson
Chief Administrative Judge
Fourteenth Judicial Circuit

for Charleston, South Carolina.
at Chambers

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