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## THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA In The Court of Appeals

South Carolina Department of Social Services, Respondent,

V.

Lori Spencer and Jimmie Hurst, Defendants,

Of whom Jimmie Hurst is the Appellant.

In the interest of a minor under the age of eighteen.

Appellate Case No. 2016-001952

Appeal From Spartanburg County Phillip K. Sinclair, Family Court Judge

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**AFFIRMED** 

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Wendy Nicole Griffith, of Talley Law Firm, P.A., of Spartanburg, for the Guardian ad Litem.

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**PER CURIAM:** Jimmie Hurst appeals the family court's final order terminating his parental rights to his minor child. *See* S.C. Code Ann. § 63-7-2570 (Supp. 2016). Upon a thorough review of the record and the family court's findings of facts and conclusions of law pursuant to *Ex parte Cauthen*, 291 S.C. 465, 354 S.E.2d 381 (1987), we find no meritorious issues that warrant briefing. Accordingly, we affirm the family court's ruling and relieve Hurst's counsel.

AFFIRMED.<sup>1</sup>

LOCKEMY, C.J., and HUFF and THOMAS, JJ., concur.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> We decide this case without oral argument pursuant to Rule 215, SCACR.