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

South Carolina Department of Social Services,
Respondent,

v.

Sierra R. and Ronald R., Defendants,

Of Whom Ronald R. is the Appellant,

In the interest of a minor under the age of 18.

Appellate Case No. 2012-205506

Appeal From Aiken County
Deborah Neese, Family Court Judge

Unpublished Opinion No. 2012-UP-400
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AFFIRMED

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Augusta, Georgia, for Appellant.

Dennis M. Gmerek, of the South Carolina Department of
Social Services, of Columbia, for Respondent.

Patrick McWilliams, of Aiken, Guardian ad Litem.

PER CURIAM: Ronald R. appeals the family court's final order terminating his parental rights to his minor child. *See* S.C. Code Ann. § 63-7-2570 (2010 & Supp. 2011). Upon a thorough review of the record and the family court's findings of fact and conclusions of law pursuant to *Ex Parte Cauthen*, 291 S.C. 465, 354 S.E.2d 381 (1987), we find no meritorious issues warrant briefing. Accordingly, we affirm the family court's ruling.

AFFIRMED.¹

PIEPER, KONDUROS, and GEATHERS, JJ., concur.

¹ We decide this case without oral argument pursuant to Rule 215, SCACR.