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CITED OR RELIED ON AS PRECEDENT IN ANY PROCEEDING
EXCEPT AS PROVIDED BY RULE 268(d)(2), SCACR.**

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

The State, Appellant,

v.

Steve Lucas, Respondent.

Appellate Case No. 2007-071446

Appeal From Lancaster County
Brooks P. Goldsmith, Circuit Court Judge

Unpublished Opinion No. 2012-UP-519
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APPEAL DISMISSED

J. Benjamin Aplin, of the South Carolina Department of
Probation, Parole and Pardon Services, of Columbia, for
Appellant.

Appellate Defender Elizabeth A. Franklin-Best, of
Columbia, for Respondent.

PER CURIAM: Appeal dismissed¹ pursuant to Rule 220(b), SCACR, and the following authorities: *Byrd v. Irmo High Sch.*, 321 S.C. 426, 431, 468 S.E.2d 861, 864 (1996) ("[An appellate c]ourt will not pass on moot and academic questions or make an adjudication where there remains no actual controversy."); *Sloan v. Friends of the Hunley, Inc.*, 369 S.C. 20, 26, 630 S.E.2d 474, 477 (2006) ("A moot case exists where a judgment rendered by the court will have no practical legal effect upon an existing controversy because an intervening event renders any grant of effectual relief impossible for the reviewing court.").

APPEAL DISMISSED.

SHORT, KONDUROS, and LOCKEMY, JJ., concur.

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