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CITED OR RELIED ON AS PRECEDENT IN ANY PROCEEDING  
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**THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
In The Court of Appeals**

South Carolina Department of Social Services,  
Respondent,

v.

Amber Christine Bogan, Joshua Thomas, and John Doe,  
Defendants,

Of whom Joshua Thomas is the Appellant.

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

Appellate Case No. 2018-001072

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

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**AFFIRMED**

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Appellant.

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of Mauldin, for Respondent.

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

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**PER CURIAM:** Joshua Thomas appeals the family court's final order terminating his parental rights to his minor child. *See* S.C. Code Ann. § 63-7-2570 (Supp. 2018). 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 and relieve Thomas's counsel.

**AFFIRMED.**<sup>1</sup>

**KONDUROS, MCDONALD, and HILL, JJ., concur.**

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