

No. 21 - 7237

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IN THE  
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

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John Dalen,

*Petitioner,*

v.

*Respondents.*

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On Petition for Writ of Certiorari  
to the South Carolina Court of Appeals

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MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION  
OF DENIAL OF PETITIONER'S MOTION FOR  
LEAVE TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS*

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## ARGUMENT

I, John Dalen, the petitioner in this case, received the court's notification of the denial of my petition to proceed *in forma pauperis* on April 8<sup>th</sup>, the document having been dated on April 4, 2022. The order states that I have until April 25, 2022, to submit a new petition for Writ in compliance with Rule 33.1 of the Rules of this Court.

Even if I could afford to comply with this order, I am not capable of producing such a document and could not find anyone who could produce it in the timeframe allowed – at any price. How does it make sense to have a requirement to file a motion to proceed *in forma pauperis*, and at the same time require the Writ to be produced and filed in accordance with Rule 33.2? This has resulted in a waste of my time and money to produce a Writ that is now in a format no longer acceptable.

I am bringing a case before this court that should be easily understandable – a case involving rights vs. privileges, which is fundamental to our Constitutional system of government. The State of South Carolina as well as many other states, for many years, have been infringing on the People's rights by converting rights into privileges. What we are seeing today is a result of gradual progressive encroachment on Constitutional principles which has steadily chipped away at the foundations of our system of government. The

U.S. Supreme Court is in a position to halt that destruction and rebuild those foundations.

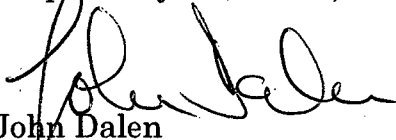
Requiring me, a tradesman, to suddenly become a publisher in order to have my case heard – or even just considered to be heard – does not seem to be in the spirit of justice as our founding fathers envisioned. My financial situation has not changed since a previous filing with this court in which I was granted leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*. If anything, the situation has gotten worse with inflation running at 40-year highs.

I respectfully ask this court to reconsider their ruling of April 4, 2022, and allow me to proceed *in forma pauperis*. This motion has been prepared in accordance with Rule 33.2 of the Rules of this court. This is critical to my ability to be heard by the court because I cannot afford an attorney. The previous case that I filed with this court hinged on a right to a jury trial which was denied me, essentially also a rights vs. privileges case.

## CONCLUSION

The Petitioner requests that the Court, upon reconsideration, grant the petitioner's motion to proceed *in forma pauperis*.

Respectfully submitted,



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