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

South Carolina Department of Social Services,
Respondent,

v.

Tina Thomas and Donnie Ray Bragg, Defendants,

Of Whom Tina Thomas is the Appellant.

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

Appellate Case No. 2015-000562

Appeal From Spartanburg County
Kelly Pope-Black, Family Court Judge

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AFFIRMED

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of Mauldin, for Respondent.

Michael Todd Thigpen, of Spartanburg, for the Guardian
ad Litem.

PER CURIAM: Tina Thomas appeals the family court's final order terminating her parental rights to her minor child. *See* S.C. Code Ann. § 63-7-2570 (Supp. 2015). 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 that warrant briefing. Accordingly, we affirm the family court's ruling and relieve Thomas's counsel.

AFFIRMED.¹

HUFF, KONDUROS, and GEATHERS, JJ., concur.

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