

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF MISSOURI

No. _____

STATE ex rel. MICHAEL POLITTE,

Petitioner,

v.

DORIS FALKENRATH,

Respondent.

Original Habeas Corpus Proceedings

Writ Denied by Missouri Court of Appeals, No. WD84748

Writ Denied by Circuit Court of Cole County, No. 20AC-CC00109

FORM 16 - WRIT SUMMARY

Parties and their attorneys in the underlying action:

- **Petitioner** Michael Politte is represented by Megan Crane of Roderick and Solange MacArthur Justice Center; Rachel Wester and Tricia Bushnell of Midwest Innocence Project; and Robert Langdon, Mark Emison, and Alex Thrasher of Langdon & Emison.
- **Respondent** Attorney Generals Michael Spillane & Stephen Hawke, representing Doris Falkenrath is represented by the Missouri Attorney General's Office.

Nature of underlying action: N/A

Action of Respondent being challenged, included date thereof: Michael Politte's conviction on January 31, 2002, and his ongoing incarceration, in violation of his rights to Due Process under the Fourteenth Amendment and effective assistance of counsel pursuant to the Sixth Amendment.

Relief sought by Petitioner: Relief from judgment and discharge from custody pursuant to Rule 91. In the alternative, appointment of a Special Master pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 68.03, and/or an evidentiary hearing.

Date of deposition or motion hearing: N/A

Date, court, and disposition of any previous or pending writ proceeding concerning the action or related matter:

- Petitioner's Writ of Habeas Corpus was denied with prejudice by Judge Daniel Greene in Cole County Circuit Court, Case No. 20AC-CC00109, on February 8, 2021, without an evidentiary hearing.
- Petitioner's Writ of Habeas Corpus was denied by the Western District Court of Appeals, WD84748, on September 1, 2021, without an evidentiary hearing.