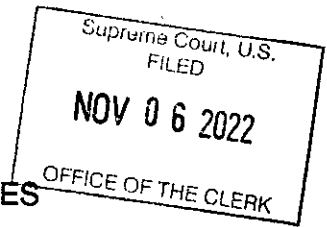


No. - 6083

IN THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES



Aaron Jay Pierce — PETITIONER
(Your Name)

vs.

State of UTAH — RESPONDENT(S)

ON PETITION FOR A WRIT OF CERTIORARI TO

Supreme Court of UTAH
(NAME OF COURT THAT LAST RULED ON MERITS OF YOUR CASE)

PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI

Aaron Jay Pierce
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(Phone Number)

QUESTION(S) PRESENTED

- If statements made during a coercive police interrogation were obtained in violation of Constitutional Law and later suppressed by the District Court; should the State be allowed to use illegally-obtained-suppressed-statements against me under the guise of "impeachment" by highlighting that my trial testimony contained exculpatory (but consistent) detail not provided to police?
- If a citizen is denied requested counsel, and coerced into speaking in a police interrogation without counsel present, what remedy is there when his court-appointed lawyers refuse to raise claims of police coercion?
- Should police manipulate and coerce Law-abiding citizens into "confessing" when they raise claims of self-defence and request to have counsel present?

LIST OF PARTIES

[] All parties appear in the caption of the case on the cover page.

✓ All parties **do not** appear in the caption of the case on the cover page. A list of all parties to the proceeding in the court whose judgment is the subject of this petition is as follows:

District Court Case No. 161906005FS
Court of Appeals No. 2019 0008 - CA
(UTAH) Supreme Court No. 20200864 - SC

RELATED CASES

- Doyle v. OHIO, 426 U.S. 610 - Supreme Court of the United States argued February 23, 1976; June 17, 1976 - No. 75-5014
- Anderson v. Charles, 447 U.S. 404 - Supreme Court of the United States - June 16, 1980, Decided - No. 79-1377
- State v. Argueta, 2020 UT 41 - Supreme Court of UTAH November 13, 2019, Heard; July 2, 2020, Filed - No. 20180814
- State v. Velarde, 675 P.2d 1194 - Supreme Court of UTAH - January 9, 1984, Filed - No. 18976

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IN THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES
PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI

Petitioner respectfully prays that a writ of certiorari issue to review the judgment below.

OPINIONS BELOW

☐ For cases from **federal courts**:

The opinion of the United States court of appeals appears at Appendix _____ to the petition and is

☐ reported at _____; or,
☐ has been designated for publication but is not yet reported; or,
☐ is unpublished.

The opinion of the United States district court appears at Appendix _____ to the petition and is

☐ reported at _____; or,
☐ has been designated for publication but is not yet reported; or,
☐ is unpublished.

☒ For cases from **state courts**:

The opinion of the highest state court to review the merits appears at Appendix _____ to the petition and is

☒ reported at Application No. 22A227; or,
☐ has been designated for publication but is not yet reported; or,
☐ is unpublished.

The opinion of the Utah Supreme Court court appears at Appendix _____ to the petition and is

☒ reported at Utah Supreme Court No. 20200864-SC; or,
☐ has been designated for publication but is not yet reported; or,
☐ is unpublished.

JURISDICTION

☐ For cases from **federal courts**:

The date on which the United States Court of Appeals decided my case was _____.

☐ No petition for rehearing was timely filed in my case.

☐ A timely petition for rehearing was denied by the United States Court of Appeals on the following date: _____, and a copy of the order denying rehearing appears at Appendix _____.

☐ An extension of time to file the petition for a writ of certiorari was granted to and including _____ (date) on _____ (date) in Application No. ____ A ____.

The jurisdiction of this Court is invoked under 28 U. S. C. § 1254(1).

☒ For cases from **state courts**:

The date on which the highest state court decided my case was June 9, 2022.
A copy of that decision appears at Appendix _____.

☐ A timely petition for rehearing was thereafter denied on the following date: _____, and a copy of the order denying rehearing appears at Appendix _____.

☒ An extension of time to file the petition for a writ of certiorari was granted to and including November 6, 22 (date) on September 15, 22 (date) in Application No. 22 A 227.

The jurisdiction of this Court is invoked under 28 U. S. C. § 1257(a).

CONSTITUTIONAL AND STATUTORY PROVISIONS INVOLVED

Amendments:

- (5) No person shall... be deprived of life, liberty, or property without due process of law
- (6) In all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall enjoy the right... to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor; and to have the assistance of counsel for his defence.
- (?) probably more

STATEMENT OF THE CASE

I shot a man while trying to protect myself.

I had asked police to have an attorney present during questioning. The police (detective Haulic) denied my request and coerced me into answering questions during interrogation. I mentioned coercion to court-appointed lawyers, and they never even mentioned it in court. I was able to suppress illegally-obtained statements. The state prosecutor brought back suppressed-statements under the guise of the "impeachment" rule, even though everything I said at my trial was consistent with what I told detectives.

The state prosecutor made me look like a liar and I was instructed to answer "yes" or "no" to loaded questions during trial.

I was never allowed to fully ~~ext~~ explain my side of the story....

My Constitutional Rights were violated.

REASONS FOR GRANTING THE PETITION

I am an average American citizen.

I don't have a college education and I'm no expert on law. I can't even begin to put in words on paper how one-sided this whole process has been. I never wanted to shoot or kill anyone and I wish that none of this ever happened. But all I ever wanted out of this entire process was a fair trial, and I wasn't even able to tell my side of the story. (What really happened)....

I never went out looking for trouble; I was simply helping my brother move. I was in a state of extreme shock and duress when I was coerced into talking to police. Because I had asked for a lawyer, they didn't investigate objectively; they were simply trying to prosecute. My own brother (my best witness in the case) wasn't even allowed to testify....

If this can happen to me,
this can happen to anyone....

CONCLUSION

The petition for a writ of certiorari should be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

Anton Rietee

Date: 4/6/2022