

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Jasper County

Perry M. Buckner, Circuit Court Judge

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THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

JAMES WATSON,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2012-213302

PETITION FOR EXTENSION TO FILE  
INITIAL BRIEF OF APPELLANT  
AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER

The undersigned counsel respectfully requests a thirty day extension in which to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the above-referenced case. In support of this motion, counsel would respectfully show the Court the following extraordinary circumstances:

1. The initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case are due to be served and filed today.
2. Counsel is currently working on a death penalty case in Marion Bowman v. State. Counsel had an oral argument in the case of State v. Timmy Rogers in this Court on Wednesday, June 5, 2013. Counsel had an oral argument in the case of State v. Darren Scott in this Court on Wednesday, May 15, 2013. On Wednesday, May 8, 2013, counsel filed the Brief of Respondent and accompanying appendix with the Supreme Court in State v. Robert Watkins. On Monday, May


6, 2013, counsel filed the Brief of Appellant with the Supreme Court in Richard Sims v. State. Counsel had an oral argument in the case of State v. James Miller in the Supreme Court on Thursday, May 2, 2013. Counsel had an oral argument in the case of State v. Paris Avery in the Supreme Court on Tuesday, April 30, 2013. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Terrence A. Baker v. State and James Corbett v. State both in the Supreme Court on Monday, April 29, 2013. Counsel filed a **Petition for Writ of Certiorari with the United States Supreme Court** in the case of Danny Brown v. State of South Carolina on Tuesday, April 23, 2013. On Friday, April 12, 2013, counsel filed the brief of appellant and designation of matter in State v. Steven Kranendonk in this Court. On Thursday April 11, 2013, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of John Barbare v. State in the Supreme Court. On Wednesday, April 10, 2013, counsel filed the brief of appellant and designation of matter in State v. Tyris Bernard Glover in this Court. On Monday April, 8 2013, counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter In the interest of Bryson W., A Minor in this Court.

3. This request is made in good faith, and not for purposes of delay. Counsel intends to continue to work on the cases with more than three extensions first so that the caseload will hopefully become more manageable in the near future, and less extensions will need to be requested.

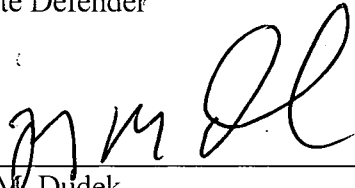
4. As indicated by his consent below, counsel for the state graciously consents to or does not oppose this request.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty day extension. Counsel respectfully requests that the time limits for filing the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,



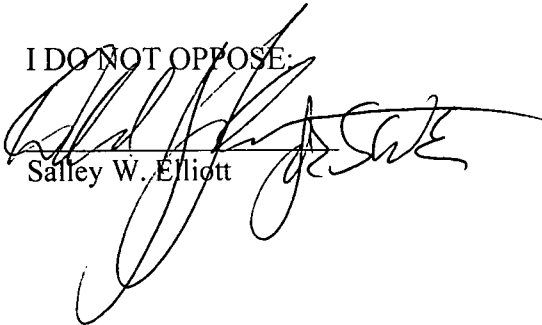
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June 6, 2013

I DO NOT OPPOSE:



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