

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE SUPREME COURT

Certiorari to Spartanburg County

G.D. Morgan, Jr., Circuit Court Judge

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ALEXANDER RASHEEN MATTHEWS,

PETITIONER,

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT.

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2023-000518

MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO
SERVE AND FILE THE PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI
AND APPENDIX

Counsel for Petitioner respectfully requests an extension of thirty (30) days in which to serve and file the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix in this case. This motion is made pursuant to the Order of the South Carolina Supreme Court dated March 18, 2009. This is a second request for an extension. In support of this request, counsel shows:

1. The Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix are due to be served and filed with the Court today.
2. Counsel for Petitioner respectfully submits that extraordinary circumstances exist which warrant the granting of an additional extension of time. Given the number of extensions

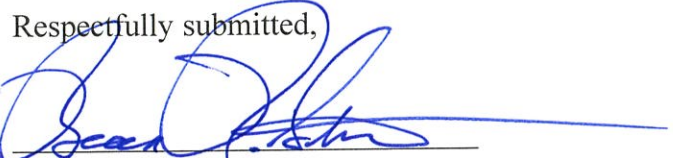
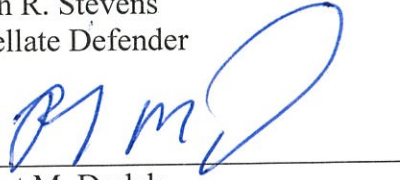
previously granted and the order in which counsel attempts to manage his caseload, counsel hopes that no further extension requests will be required.

3. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Eric Harper v. State with the Supreme Court on September 6, 2023. Counsel filed the Johnson petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of William T. Smith v. State with the Supreme Court on August 23, 2023. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals in the case of State v. Sidney Stclair Moorer with the Supreme Court on August 18, 2023. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Jaylen Bell with the Court of Appeals on August 14, 2023. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. David Hayden with the Court of Appeals on July 24, 2023. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Quayshaun X. Clark with the Court of Appeals on July 14, 2023. Counsel attended the Public Defenders 103: Trial Skills Workshop from July 5-7, 2023, in Greenville, SC. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the case of State v. Sidney Stclair Moorer with the Court of Appeals on June 22, 2023.

4. Counsel makes this request in good faith and not for purpose of delay.

5. On September 1, 2023, opposing counsel, the Attorney General's Office, graciously consented to this extension request by way of general consent granted in writing, by Deputy Attorney General Donald J. Zelenka for all Appellate Defense extensions through September 30, 2023.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty-day extension, in which to serve and file the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances. Counsel requests that time limits for serving and filing the Petition for Writ of Certiorari and Appendix be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,

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This 8th day of September, 2023.