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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

S.C. SUPREME COURT

IN THE SUPREME COURT

Certiorari to Colleton County

Honorable Deadra L. Jefferson, Circuit Court Judge

JACOBY FIELDS,

PETITIONER,

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT.

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2020-001229

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.

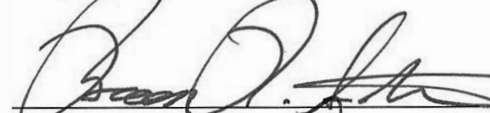
3. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Antonio Bethel with the Court of Appeals on May 22, 2024. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals and accompanying appendix in the case of Sean James v. State with the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals on May 20, 2024. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of John D. Cook v. State with the Supreme Court on May 13, 2024. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Ricky L. Singer with the Court of Appeals on May 8, 2024. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Williston Owens with the Court of Appeals on May 3, 2024. Counsel had an oral argument in the case of State v. Devin Jamel Johnson before the Supreme Court on May 2, 2024. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. James Toatley with the Court of Appeals on April 25, 2024. Counsel filed the initial brief of respondent and designation of matter in the case of State v. Jonathan C. Dawkins with the Court of Appeals on April 3, 2024. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Heather Lawson v. State with the Supreme Court on March 28, 2024. Counsel filed a petition for rehearing in the case of State v. Sean Devon James with the Court of Appeals on March 21, 2024. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Antonio L. Williams with the Court of Appeals on March 6, 2024.


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

5. On April 30, 2024, 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 May 31, 2024.

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 30th day of May, 2024.