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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Clarendon County  
Ralph F. Cothran, Circuit Court Judge

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SC Court of Appeals

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

v.

CHARLIE BELSER,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2013-000341

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. On Thursday, November 14, 2013, counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the cases of State v. Wesley Smith. On Wednesday, November 13, 2013, counsel filed Johnson petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Kenny Jackson v. State. On Wednesday, November 13, 2013, counsel had an oral argument in the South Carolina Court of Appeals in the case of State v. Ted Abney. And also on Wednesday, November 13, 2013, counsel

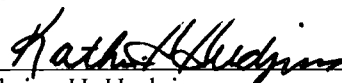
had an oral argument in the South Carolina Court of Appeals in the case of State v. Antrell Felder. On Tuesday, November 12, 2013, counsel had an oral argument in the South Carolina Court of Appeals in the case of State v. Roderick Bradley. On Monday, November 4, 2013, counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. James Carrier. On Tuesday, November 3, 2013, counsel had an oral argument in the South Carolina Court of Appeals in the case of State v. Ronald Black. On Thursday, October 31, 2013, counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the cases of State v. Robert Jones. On Monday, October 21, 2013, counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. James Roscoe Scofield. On Wednesday, October 16, 2013, counsel had an oral argument in the South Carolina Supreme Court in the case of State v. Lawrence Burgess. On Wednesday, October 9, 2013, counsel filed petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Phillips Watts v. State, also on Wednesday October 9, 2013, Counsel filed the brief of appellant pursuant to White v. State in State v. Phillips Watts. On Wednesday, September 25, 2013, counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Rickey Hewins Mack. Counsel filed the Anders brief of appellant and record on appeal in the case of State v. Jessica Beockete Moore on Monday, September 23, 2013. Counsel attended the Public Defender Conference in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina on September 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> of 2013. On Friday, September 20, 2013, counsel attended the Gideon Conference in Charleston, South Carolina. On Tuesday, September 17, 2013, counsel had oral argument in this Court in the case of State v. Wesley Smith.

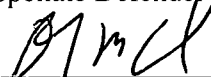
3. This request is made in good faith, and not for purposes of delay. Counsel intends to continue to work on the cases with more than three extensions first so that the caseload will hopefully become more manageable in the near future, and less extensions will need to be requested.

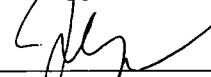
4. As indicated by her consent below, counsel for the state graciously consents to or does not oppose this request.

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,

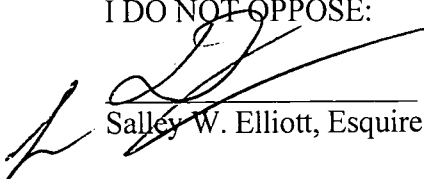
  
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November 15, 2013

I DO NOT OPPOSE:

  
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