

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Chester County

D. Craig Brown, Circuit Court Judge

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RESPONDENT,

THE STATE,

v.

BRENDA BRATSCHI,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2012-211980

PETITION FOR EXTENSION TO FILE  
THE REPLY TO THE INITIAL BRIEF OF RESPONDENT

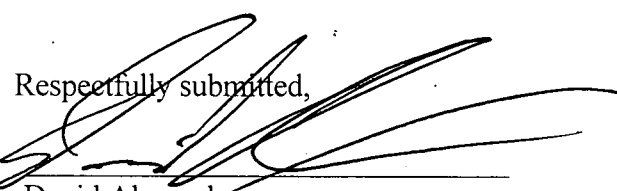
The undersigned counsel respectfully requests a **final ten-day extension, until March 13, 2014**, in which to file the reply to the initial brief of respondent in the above-referenced case. In support of this motion, counsel would respectfully show the Court the following extraordinary circumstances:

1. The reply to the initial brief of respondent is due to be served and filed today in this case.
2. On Wednesday, February 26, 2014, counsel filed the brief of appellant and record on appeal in State v. Curtis Fields in this Court. On Friday, February 21, 2014, counsel filed the reply to the return to the petition for writ of certiorari in the Supreme Court in Mark Anthony Martucci v. State. On Tuesday, February 18, 2014, counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and

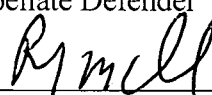
designation of matter in the case of State v. Lou Ann Robinson in this Court. On Tuesday, February 4, 2014, counsel had an oral argument in this Court in the case of State v. Julian Deandre Battle. Counsel filed the brief of respondent in the case of State v. William Coaxum Sr. in the Supreme Court on Monday, January 27, 2014. On Tuesday, January 21, 2014, counsel filed the return to the petition for writ of certiorari in the case of Jwan T. Smith v. State in the Supreme Court. On Thursday, January 16, 2014, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of State v. Latron Bryant in the Supreme Court. On Wednesday, January 15, 2014, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari to the South Carolina Supreme Court and accompanying appendix in the case of Richard A. Sims v. State in the United States Supreme Court. On Wednesday, January 8, 2014, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of State v. John Portee in the Supreme Court. On Tuesday, January 7, 2014, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of State v. Luther Bernard Pearson in the Supreme Court. On Friday, December 27, 2013, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of State v. Aliaquon R Drake in the Supreme Court, also on Friday, December 27, 2013, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of State v. Jose Angel Herrera in the Supreme Court. On Thursday, December 19, 2013, counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Akeem Smith 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.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final ten-day extension, until March 13, 2014**. Counsel respectfully requests that the time limits for filing the reply to the initial brief of respondent be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

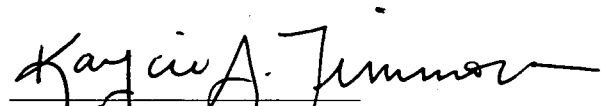
Respectfully submitted,  


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March 3, 2014

I do not oppose:

  
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