

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE SUPREME COURT

Certiorari to York County
Edgar W. Dickson, Circuit Court Judge

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MAURICE SHAUNDELL HOPE,

PETITIONER,

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2013-002013

MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME
IN WHICH TO FILE THE
PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI

Counsel respectfully requests a **final extension of thirty (30) days until April 21, 2014**, in which to 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 third request for an extension. In support of this request, counsel shows:

1. The petition for writ of certiorari and appendix is due to be served and filed with the Court today.
2. Counsel 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. On March 13, 2014, counsel filed a brief of appellant and record on appeal in State v. Lynel Witherspoon with the Court of Appeals. On March 13, 2014, counsel filed a petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in Dennis T. Deal v. State with this Court. On March 6, 2014, counsel filed a petition for rehearing in State v. Antonio Scott with the Court of Appeals. On February 18, 2014, counsel filed a brief of appellant and designation of matter in State v. Jameccia Lomax with the Court of Appeals. On February 18, 2014, counsel filed a petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in Carnell Bland v. State with this Court. On February 7, 2014, counsel filed a petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in Steven Whitt v. State with this Court. On February 5, 2014, counsel held an oral argument in State v. Ricky S. Bowman before the Court of Appeals. On February 3, 2014, counsel filed a brief of appellant and record on appeal in State v. Cornelius Jerome Stagers, Jr. with the Court of Appeals. On January 30, 2014, counsel filed a petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in Shannon Tremell Hopkins v. State with this Court. On January 27, 2014, counsel filed a brief of appellant and record on appeal in State v. Juan Arroyo with the Court of Appeals. On January 24, 2014, counsel filed a petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in John Drayton v. State with this Court. On January 16, 2014, counsel filed a brief of appellant and record on appeal in State v. Gregory Smith with the Court of Appeals. On January 15, 2014, counsel filed an initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in State v. Carolyn Poe with the Court of Appeals.

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

5. Counsel for the Attorney General's office consents to this request as shown by signature below.

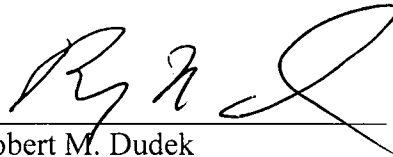
WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final thirty (30) day extension until April 21, 2014**, in which to file the petition for writ of certiorari and appendix in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,



Benjamin J. Tripp
Appellate Defender

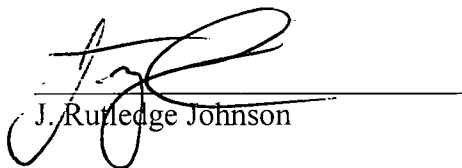
Attorney for Petitioner



Robert M. Dudek
Chief Appellate Defender

This 20th day of March, 2014

I Consent:



J. Rutledge Johnson