

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

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Certiorari to Greenville County
G. Edward Welmaker, Circuit Court Judge

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RESPONDENT
COURT OF APPEALS

THE STATE,

V.

JAMES ALLEN JOHNSON,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2013-001314

MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME
IN WHICH TO FILE THE INITIAL BRIEF OF APPELLANT
AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER

Counsel for James A. Johnson respectfully requests a **final thirty (30) day extension, until April 21, 2014**, in which to file the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in this case. This motion is made pursuant to the Order of the South Carolina Supreme Court dated March 18, 2009. This is a fifth request for an extension. In support of this request, counsel shows:

1. The initial brief of appellant and designation of matter are due to be filed with the Court today. The Court has granted counsel four previous extensions.

2. Counsel for James A. Johnson 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 her caseload, counsel hopes that no further extension requests will be required.

3. Counsel filed reply brief of appellant in the case of State v. Brenda Bratschi in this Court, yesterday, March 14, 2014. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of William L. Childers v. State in the Supreme Court on Wednesday, March 12, 2014. Counsel

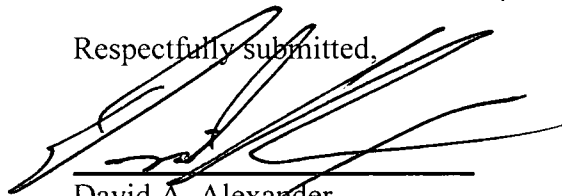
had an oral argument in the Supreme Court in the case of State v. Curtis J. Simms with co- counsel Robert M. Dudek on Wednesday, March 5, 2014, and counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of James Gunnells v. State in the Supreme Court. On Thursday, March 6, 2014, counsel had an oral argument in this Court in the case of State v. Jason A. Johnson. 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 this 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.

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 shown by signature below.

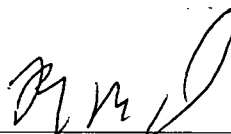
WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final thirty (30) day extension until April 21, 2014**, in which to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David A. Alexander", written over a horizontal line.

David A. Alexander
Appellate Defender

Attorney for Appellant



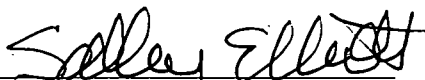
Robert M. Dudek
Chief Appellate Defender



T. Patton Adams
Executive Director/
J. Hugh Ryan, III
General Counsel

This 20th day of March, 2014.

I consent:



Salley W. Elliott, Esquire