

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Greenville County
Honorable R. Lawton McIntosh, Circuit Court Judge
Appellate Case No. 2013-000933

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THE STATE,

Respondent, **SC Court of Appeals**

vs.

CHRISTOPHER ERIC RUSSELL,

Appellant.

**MOTION FOR FOURTH EXTENSION OF TIME WITHIN WHICH
TO SERVE AND FILE INITIAL BRIEF OF RESPONDENT
AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER**

Respondent (“the State”), through its undersigned counsel, would respectfully show unto the Court as follows:

I.

The Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter are due to be served and filed on April 14, 2014.

II.

Pursuant to RE: Extension Requests in Criminal Direct Appeals and Post-Conviction Relief Certiorari Proceedings: Order of the South Carolina Supreme Court dated March 18, 2009, the State moves for a fourth extension in the above-referenced criminal appeal and asks for an additional thirty days to complete the brief in this case. In the past few weeks, the undersigned has participated in oral argument at the Supreme Court in In re Stephen W., has

participated in oral argument at the Court of Appeals in State v. Christopher Lee Johnson, State v. Alex Lorenzo Robinson, State v. Jimmy Wilson, Jr., State v. Kendrick D. Littlejohn, State v. Mark Stanley Peters, and State v. Randy Jarrod Crosby, has submitted a Brief of Respondent to the Supreme Court in State v. Salley, has submitted an Initial Brief of Appellant to the Court of Appeals in State v. Bash, has submitted Initial Briefs of Respondent to the Court of Appeals in State v. Branyon and State v. Slocumb, has submitted a Return to Petition for Rehearing to the Court of Appeals in State v. Reaves, and has submitted Returns to Petitions for Writ of Certiorari to the Supreme Court in State v. Parker and State v. Hilton.

III.

This extension request is not intended for purposes of delay, but rather to ensure that the Brief is properly researched and prepared. The Brief in the above case has required significant research because the case involves three significant issues on appeal. The undersigned is currently working on the Brief in this case and hopes to have it completed in a timely manner. I would therefore request an extension of time within which to serve and file the Brief.

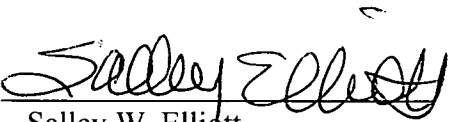
WHEREFORE, Respondent prays that the Court extend the deadline for the service and filing of the Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter in this case for thirty (30) days from the date such relief is granted; and for such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

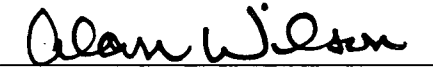
Respectfully submitted,

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I, Norma Bigbee, certify that I have served the within Motion for Fourth Extension of Time Within Which to Serve and File Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter on Appellant by depositing two copies of the same in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to:

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I further certify that all parties required by Rule to be served have been served.
This 14th day of April, 2014.


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SC Court of Appeals

The Honorable Jenny A. Kitchings
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals
Post Office Box 11629
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RE: State v. Christopher Eric Russell – Appellate Case No. 2013-000381

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

Enclosed please find the original and six (6) copies of the Motion for Fourth Extension of Time Within Which to Serve and File Initial Brief of Respondent and Designation of Matter, along with proof of service, for filing in the above-referenced appeal.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

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