

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

 ORIGINAL

Appeal from Anderson County
R. Lawton McIntosh, Circuit Court Judge

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THE STATE,

SC Court of Appeals

RESPONDENT,

V.

JOSE ROMERO,

APPELLANT

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION TO FILE
INITIAL BRIEF OF APPELLANT AND
DESIGNATION OF MATTER**

The undersigned counsel would respectfully request 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 exigent circumstances:

1. The initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case are due to be served and filed today having been extended by two prior orders of this Court.
2. Counsel is currently working on and preparing to file the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix with Chief Appellate Defender Robert M. Dudek, in the capital case of Richard Bernard Moore v. State in the Supreme Court on July 18, 2012. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying

appendix in the case of Andre D. Johnson v. State in the Supreme Court on July 9, 2012. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in the case of Eric Joshua Turner v. State in the Supreme Court on June 28, 2012. Counsel filed the Petition for Rehearing in the case of State v. Thomas Smart in this Court on June 28, 2012. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix for Gene W. Hall v. State in the Supreme Court on June 22, 2012. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix for Drew John Monahan v. State in the Supreme Court on June 15, 2012. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Jonta Green in this Court on June 7, 2012. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix and brief of appellant pursuant to White v. State in the case of Courtney Sease v. State in the Supreme Court on June 5, 2012. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Robert Terrance Hooker in this Court on June 1, 2012. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Robdrecko Andray Niles v. State in the Supreme Court on May 30, 2012. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Rodriques Carter in this Court on May 23, 2012. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Chris Teasley in this Court on May 17, 2012. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the case of State v. James Craig White in this Court on May 16, 2012. Counsel filed the brief of respondent in the case of State v. Ricky Darren Sanders in the Supreme Court on May 15, 2012. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Tyrone Beaty in the this Court on May 9, 2012. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of


State v. Ladorrean Collington in this Court on May 4, 2012. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Tyrone Jacobs v. State in the Supreme Court on May 3, 2012.

3. This request is made in good faith, and not for purposes of delay.

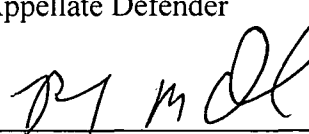
4. As indicated by her consent below, counsel for the state graciously consents to or does not oppose this request.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty-day extension in which to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case. Counsel 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,



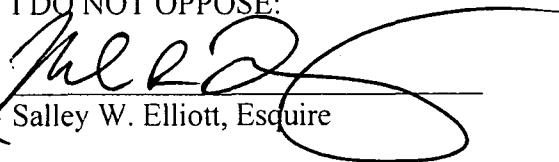
Susan B. Hackett
Appellate Defender



Robert M. Dudek
Chief Appellate Defender

July 13, 2012

I DO NOT OPPOSE:



for Salley W. Elliott, Esquire