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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE SUPREME COURT

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Certiorari to Laurens County  
Donald B. Hocker, Circuit Court Judge

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BRIAN STEPHENS,

PETITIONER,

v.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2014-000471

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

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Counsel for Brian Stephens respectfully requests an extension of thirty (30) days 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 second request for an extension. In support of this request, counsel shows:

1. The petition for writ of certiorari and appendix are due to be served and filed with the Court today.
2. Counsel for Brian Stephens 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 the petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals and accompanying appendix in the case of Taurus Thompson v. State with this Court on September 18, 2014. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals and accompanying appendix in the case of Donald Anderson v. State with this Court on September 18, 2014. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals and accompanying appendix in the case of Greggory Ivery v. State with this Court on September 18, 2014. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Randall Sanders v. State with this Court on September 10, 2014. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Alexander Samuel v. State with this Court on September 10, 2014. Counsel had an oral argument in the case of State v. James Harris in the Court of Appeals on Tuesday, September 9, 2014. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Martin Floyd with the Court of Appeals on Friday, September 5, 2014. Counsel filed the brief of petitioner in the case of State v. Richard Beekman with this Court on September 4, 2014. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Shannon McGee v. State with this Court on September 4, 2014. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing the in the case of State v. Randy Crosby with the Court of Appeals on September 4, 2014. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Robert Orlando Hill v. State with this Court on August 28, 2014. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Dennis Penny with the Court of Appeals on August 27, 2014.

4. Counsel makes this request in good faith and not for purpose of delay.
5. Counsel for the Attorney General's office has been informed of this request.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty day extension, in which to file the petition for writ of certiorari and appendix in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances. Counsel requests that time limits for filing the petition be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,



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Carmen V. Ganjehsani  
Appellate Defender

Attorney for Petitioner

September 25, 2014

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I certify that a true copy of the motion for an extension of time in which to file the petition for writ of certiorari and appendix in the above case has been served upon J. Rutledge Johnson, Esquire, Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, Rembert Dennis Building, 1000 Assembly Street, Room 519, Columbia, SC 29201, this 25th day of September, 2014.

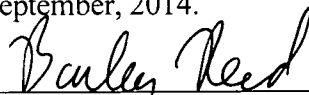


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Carmen V. Ganjehsani  
Appellate Defender

ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER

SWORN TO BEFORE ME this 25th day  
of September, 2014.

 (L.S.)

Notary Public for South Carolina

My Commission Expires: October 24, 2021.