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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Lexington County  
Thomas A. Russo, Circuit Court Judge

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THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

GONZALES R. WARDLAW,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2014-000343

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

The undersigned counsel respectfully requests 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 extraordinary circumstances:

1. The initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case are due to be served and filed today.
2. Counsel is also working in the case of State v. Ricky Lee Blackwell, a direct appeal in a capital case, and the transcript is 4.751 pages long. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the case of State v. Anthony Jackson with this Court on October 14, 2014. Counsel filed the initial reply brief in the case of State v. Erick Arroyo with this Court on October 10, 2014. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of

Sterling Devonte Brown v. State of South Carolina with the Supreme Court on October 9, 2014. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Markelle Jamar Reid v. State of South Carolina with the Supreme Court on October 8, 2014. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals and accompanying appendix in the case of State v. Steven Kranendonk with the Supreme Court on October 6, 2014. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals in the case of State v. Jason Alan Johnson with the Supreme Court on October 3, 2014. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Greg K. Isaac with this Court in September 26, 2014. Counsel attended and participated in the 2014 Annual Public Defender on September 22, 23, and 24, 2014. Counsel filed the brief of appellant in the case of State v. Jabriel L. Singleton with this Court on September 19, 2014. Counsel had an oral argument in the case of State v. Antonio Glover in this Court on September 11, 2014. Counsel had an oral argument in the case of State v. Anthony Jackson in this Court on September 10, 2014. Counsel had an oral argument in the case of State v. Christopher Paul Mahaffey in this Court on September 9, 2014. Counsel filed the brief of petitioner in the case of State v. Darren G. Scott with the Supreme Court on September 4, 2014. Counsel filed the return to the petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals in the case of State v. Julian De'Andre Battle with the Supreme Court on September 3, 2014. Counsel filed the return to the petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals in the case of State v. Kevin Tyrone Bennett with the Supreme Court on August 28, 2014. Counsel filed the record on appeal in the case of Michael D. Hall v. State of South Carolina which was granted, and expedited in the original jurisdiction of the Supreme Court, with the Supreme Court on August 27, 2014, as co-counsel. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Gerald Barrett with this Court on August 27, 2014. Counsel filed the designation of matter in the case of Michael D. Hall v. State of South Carolina with the Supreme Court on August 22, 2014, as co-counsel. Counsel filed the

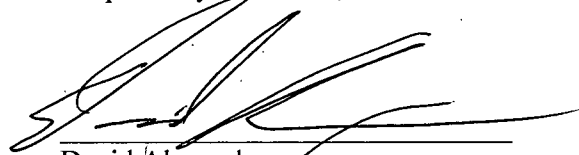
initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. William Donald Bolt with this Court on August 20, 2014.

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

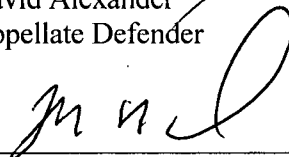
4. As indicated by the consent below, counsel for the state graciously consents to or does not oppose this request.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty day extension. Counsel respectfully 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,



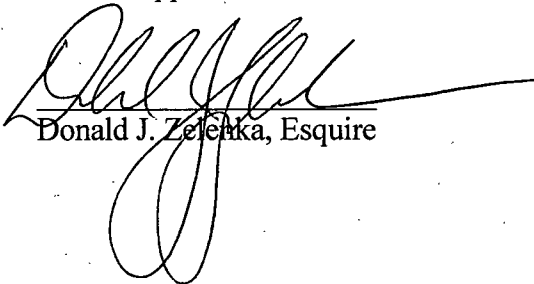
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October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014

I do not oppose:



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