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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE SUPREME COURT

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Certiorari to Orangeburg County

L. Casey Manning, Circuit Court Judge

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SAMMIE LOUIS STOKES,

PETITIONER,

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2013-000635

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION TO FILE  
PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI  
AND ACCOMPANYING APPENDIX

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The undersigned counsel respectfully requests a **final fourteen (14) day extension, until November 12, 2014**, in which to file the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix. In support of this motion, counsel would respectfully show the Court the following extraordinary circumstances:

1. The petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in this case are due to be served and filed today **in this death penalty case**. The certiorari petition has been drafted, and is being revised.

2. Counsel is subpoenaed to testify at a PCR hearing today, October 29, 2014, in Dorchester County in the case of Walter Lee Harris v. State of South Carolina. Counsel is speaking tomorrow, October 30, 2014, at the Appellate Project CLE. Counsel is working on and

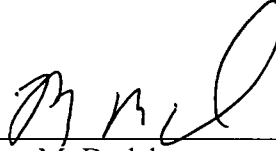
will be filing the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of The State v. Victor White with this Court tomorrow, October 30, 2014. Counsel is also filing a petition for stay of execution with this Court in the case of Richard Moore v. State, with co-counsel Susan Hackett, on Friday, October 31, 2014. Counsel is also doing a presentation on the Fourth Amendment that he continues to prepare for the Summary Judge's Conference on November 7, 2014. Counsel is working on and planning to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Bradley Gerald Mullins with the Court of Appeals on November 4, 2014. Counsel will also be filing the United States certiorari petition in the case of Bayan Aleksey v. State of South Carolina with the United States Supreme Court on November 24, 2014. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of The State v. Tawanda Allen with this Court on October 27, 2014. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of Timothy D. Dingle v. The State (murder case) with the Court of Appeals on October 22, 2014. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the case of The State v Jason A. Bauman with the Court of Appeals on October 16, 2014. Counsel had an oral argument in the case of The State v. Christopher Heller before this Court on October 7, 2014. Counsel filed the final brief of petitioner in the case of Michael D. Hall v. State of South Carolina with co-counsel, Susan B. Hackett and David Alexander, with this Court on October 6, 2014. Counsel had an oral argument in the case of The State v. Antonio Miller before the Court of Appeals on October 6, 2014. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the case of The State v. Michael Anthony Rogers in the Court of Appeals on October 2, 2014. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing with co-counsel, Susan Hackett, in the case of Richard Bernard Moore v. State of South Carolina with this Court on September 26, 2014. Counsel prepared for and presented his Case Law Update power-point presentation for the 2014 Annual Public Defender Conference held September 22-24, 2014 in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

Counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the case of State of South Carolina v. Christina Reece with the Court of Appeals on September 12, 2014. Counsel had an oral argument in the case of State v. Bobbie McCann before the Court of Appeals on September 12, 2014. Counsel also had an oral argument in the case of State v. Jason Bauman before this Court on September 10, 2014. Counsel also had an oral argument in the case of State v. Derell Green which he assisted Appellate Defender Lara Caudy in preparing to argue for him before the Court of Appeals on September 8, 2014. Counsel also filed the reply to return to petition for writ of certiorari with co-counsel, Reid T. Sherard in the case of State v. Jamaal Hinson with this Court on September 8, 2014. Counsel also filed the brief of petitioner with co-counsel, David Alexander, in the case of State v. Darren Gerome Scott with this Court on September 4, 2014. Counsel also filed the petition for rehearing in the case of State v. Anthony K. Blakney with the Court of Appeals on September 4, 2014. Counsel also filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Andrew Antonio Clemons with the Court of Appeals on September 4, 2014. **Counsel also has many administrative duties as the Chief Appellate Defender in addition to his heavy caseload.**

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.

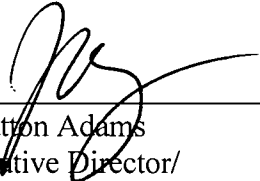
WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request **a final fourteen (14) day extension, until November 12, 2014**, in which to file the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix. Counsel respectfully requests that the time limits for filing the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,



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Chief Appellate Defender

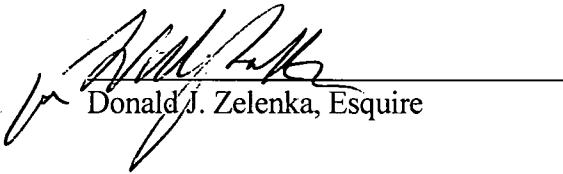


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T. Patton Adams  
Executive Director/  
J. Hugh Ryan, III  
General Counsel

This 29<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014.

I do not oppose:



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Donald J. Zelenka, Esquire