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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

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Appeal from Horry County
Benjamin H. Culbertson, Circuit Court Judge

SC Court of Appeals

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

CARLOS ROBERTO LOPEZ,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2014-000828

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

Counsel for Carlos Lopez respectfully requests an extension of thirty (30) days in which to file the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in this case. This motion is made pursuant to the Order of the South Carolina Supreme Court dated March 18, 2009. This is a third request for an extension. In support of this request, counsel shows:

1. The initial brief of appellant and designation of matter are due to be filed with the Court today. The Court has granted counsel two previous extensions.
2. Counsel for Carlos Lopez 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 his caseload, counsel hopes that no further extension requests will be required.

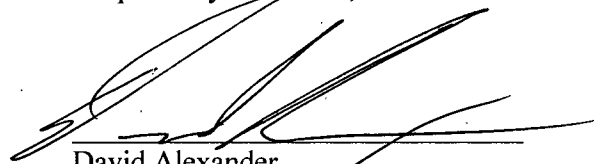
3. Counsel is working in the case of State v. Ricky Lee Blackwell, a direct appeal in a capital case, and the transcript is 4.751 pages long. Counsel was a speaker during the group sessions for the Appellate Practice Project on October 30, 2014. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Kelvin Jackson with this Court on October 30, 2014. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Christopher W. Berke with this Court on October 29, 2014. Counsel filed the brief of appellant in the case of State v. Jessie Davis with this Court on October 27, 2014. Counsel filed the initial reply brief in the case of State v. Lamar Sequan Brown with this Court on October 27, 2014. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Zachary Fowler v. State of South Carolina with the Supreme Court on October 22, 2014. 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 the Court of Appeals 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.

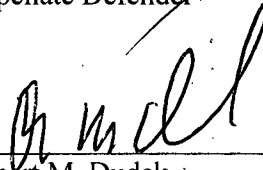
4. Counsel makes this request in good faith and not for purpose of delay.
5. Counsel for the Attorney General's office consents to this request shown by signature below.

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 based upon the above exigent circumstances. Counsel requests that time limits for filing the brief be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,




David Alexander
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Robert M. Dudek
Chief Appellate Defender

November 3rd, 2014

I do not oppose:


Salley W. Elliott, Esquire