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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

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Appeal from Saluda County

SC Court of Appeals

Thomas A. Russo, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

v.

STEVEN OTTS,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2014-000274

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

The undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final 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 three prior orders of this Court.
2. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Ernest Eugene Williams, Jr. in this Court on November 10, 2014. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of

Eddie Pilcher v. State in the Supreme Court on November 5, 2014. Counsel argued in the case of State v. Christopher J. Shippy in this Court on November 4, 2014. Counsel argued in the case of State v. Darryl L. Drayton in this Court on November 3, 2014. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Alan L. Burns in this Court on October 30, 2014. Counsel attended at the Appellate Practice Project CLE on October 30, 2014. Counsel attended a PCR hearing in Beaufort County in the case of Leslie Twyman v. State before the Honorable Judge Edgar Dickson on October 29, 2014. Counsel filed the brief of petitioner in the case of State v. Julia Gorman with the Supreme Court on October 24, 2014. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Robert Odell Brown in this Court on October 16, 2014. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Delonte Carroll v. State in the Supreme Court on October 14, 2014. Counsel filed the brief of petitioner in the case of Anthony Sanders v. State in the Supreme Court on October 13, 2014. Counsel filed the brief of petitioner in the case of Eunice McCall v. State in the Supreme Court on October 13, 2014. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Michael E. Hyatt in this Court on October 10, 2014. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the case of State v. Desmond Sams in the Supreme Court on October 9, 2014. Counsel argued the case of State v. Marty Baggett in this Court on October 6, 2014. Counsel filed the brief of petitioner in the case of Michael D. Hall v. State in the Supreme Court on October 6, 2014. Counsel filed the Anders brief of Appellant and designation of matter with the Record on Appeal in the case of State v. Courtney Michelle Woodard in this Court on October 6, 2014. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in the case of

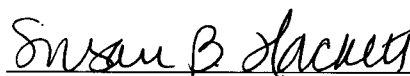
Bernard O. Gilliard v. State in the Supreme Court on September 30, 2014. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in the case of State v. Douglas Bret Bishop in the Supreme Court on September 30, 2014. Counsel filed a petition for re-hearing in a capital case, Richard Moore v. State on September 26, 2014. On September 22-24, 2014, counsel attended the Public Defender Conference in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari in the case of State v. Clarence Williams Jenkins in the Supreme Court on September 24, 2014. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. James Rose in this Court on September 19, 2014. Counsel filed the brief of petitioner in the case of Jomer Hill v. State in this Court on September 17, 2014. Counsel filed the return to motion to dismiss in the case of State v. Kevin L. Howard in this Court on September 15, 2014.

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

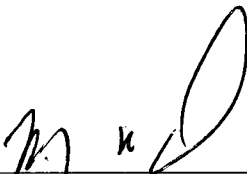
4. As indicated by his consent below, counsel for the state graciously consents to or does not oppose this request.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final 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.

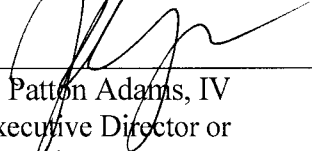
Respectfully submitted,



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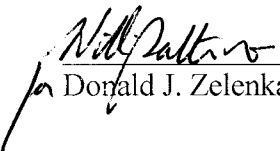
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November 12, 2014

I DO NOT OPPOSE:



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