

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

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Certiorari to York County

John C. Hayes, III, Circuit Court Judge  
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**SC Court of Appeals**

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

RICKY EUGENE PASSMORE,

APPELLANT.

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2014-000727  
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MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME  
IN WHICH TO FILE THE INITIAL BRIEF OF APPELLANT  
AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER  
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Counsel for Ricky Eugene Passmore respectfully requests a **final fifteen (15) day extension, until February 24, 2015** 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. 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.
2. Counsel for Ricky Eugene Passmore respectfully submits that extraordinary circumstances exist which warrant the granting of an additional extension of time. *Counsel regrets having to request this extension and will make every effort to file the brief prior to the fifteen day deadline.*

3. Counsel is working on and will be filing the return to motion to seal or strike in the case of State of South Carolina v. Ricky Lee Blackwell with the Supreme Court today, February 9, 2015. **Counsel has extensive administrative duties as the Chief Appellate Defender, including administrative and Appellate Project oversight. Counsel also has been training three new appellate defenders to include reading their briefs and certiorari petitions.**

4. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant (3 issues) and designation of matter in the case of State v. Christina Reece with this Court on February 6, 2015. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. James Scott Cross with this Court on February 4, 2015. Counsel had an oral argument in the case of The State v. Keith Letmon before this Court on February 3, 2015. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Shedrix Steward with this Court on January 30, 2015. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the case of The State v. Albert Brandeberry with this Court on January 29, 2015. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Paul Leslie Cox v. State of South Carolina with the Supreme Court on January 28, 2015. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals in the case of The State v. Jason A. Bauman with the Supreme Court on January 26, 2015. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. David Penn with this Court on January 23, 2015. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Turuk Saunders v. State of South Carolina with the Supreme Court on January 21, 2015. Counsel filed the reply to brief in opposition to petition for writ of certiorari filed by the Attorney General's Office on December 31, 2014 in the death penalty case of Bayan Aleksey v. State of South Carolina with the United States Supreme Court on January 15, 2015. Counsel attended the Commission's Budget, Ways and Means

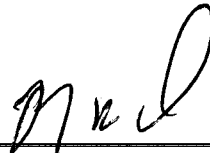
Subcommittee Meeting on January 14, 2015. Counsel filed the brief of appellant pursuant to White v. State in the case of John William Dixon v. State of South Carolina with the Supreme Court on January 13, 2015. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix and supplemental appendix in the case of John William Dixon v. State of South Carolina with the Supreme Court on January 13, 2015. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter (7 issues and 111 pages) in the death penalty case of The State v. Ricky Lee Blackwell with the Supreme Court on January 8, 2015. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the case of The State v. Victor Weldon with this Court on December 31, 2014. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Torren Marquize Eady with this Court on December 22, 2014. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Rodney Thompson v. State of South Carolina with the Supreme Court on December 19, 2014. Counsel filed the brief of petitioner in the case of The State v. Charles Monroe Harris with the Supreme Court on December 18, 2014. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Martha Elizabeth Hale with this Court on December 16, 2014. Counsel filed the initial brief of respondent and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Marcus Greene with this Court on December 12, 2014. Counsel had an oral argument in the case of The State v. Derrick McDonald before the Supreme Court on December 11, 2014. Counsel also filed the brief of petitioner in the case of The State v. South Carolina v. Manuel Marin with co-counsel David Alexander with the Supreme Court on December 11, 2014. Counsel had an oral argument in the case of Michael D. Hall v. State of South Carolina, et al. before the Supreme Court on December 9, 2014.

5. Counsel makes this request in good faith and not for purpose of delay. Counsel is working first on cases that have been extended three times in an effort to make his caseload more manageable and reduce the number of extensions in the future.

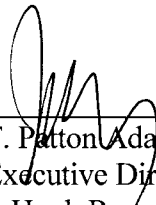
6. Counsel for the Attorney General's office consents to this request shown by signature below.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final fifteen (15) day extension, until February 24, 2015**, in which to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances. **Counsel will endeavor to file the brief before that deadline if at all possible.** Counsel requests that time limits for filing the brief be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,



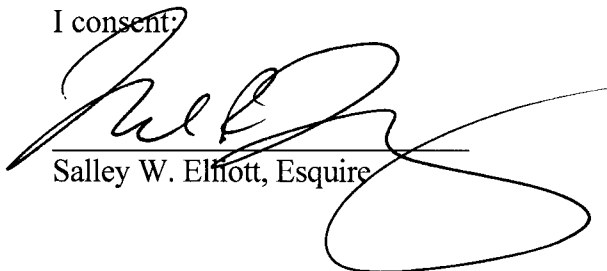
Robert M. Dudek  
Chief Appellate Defender



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

This 9th day of February, 2015.

I consent:



Salley W. Elliott, Esquire