

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Lancaster County

Brian M. Gibbons, Circuit Court Judge

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RESPONDENT,

THE STATE,

V.

DEMARIO M. THOMPSON,

APPELLANT.

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2015-000126

MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME
IN WHICH TO FILE THE INITIAL BRIEF OF APPELLANT
AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER

Counsel for Mr. Thompson respectfully requests a **fourth and final** extension of **thirty (30) days until September 16, 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. This is a fourth 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 three previous extensions.
2. Counsel for Mr. Thompson 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.

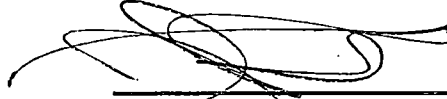
3. Counsel filed the Reply to the State's Return and Amended Motion to Hold Appeal in Abeyance and to Remand for a New Evidentiary Hearing Based on After-Discovered Evidence and accompanying appendix in the case of Tunzy Sanders v. State of South Carolina in the Supreme Court on August 14, 2015. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Anthony Sapp v. State of South Carolina in the Supreme Court on August 7, 2015. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant in the case of The State v. Joseph Williams Dinkins with the Court of Appeals on August 5, 2015. Counsel filed the initial reply brief of appellant in the case of The State v. John Upson with the Court of Appeals on July 30, 2015. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Richard A. Green v. State of South Carolina in the Supreme Court on July 27, 2015. Counsel filed the Motion to Hold Appeal in Abeyance and to Remand for a New Evidentiary Hearing Based on After-Discovered Evidence and accompanying appendix in the case of Tunzy Sanders v. State of South Carolina in the Supreme Court on July 24, 2015. Counsel filed the initial reply brief of appellant in the case of The State v. Alexander Carmichael Huckabee III with the Court of Appeals on July 9, 2015.

4. Counsel makes this request in good faith and not for purpose 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.

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

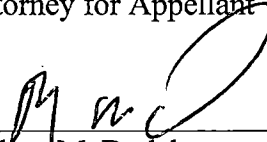
WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final thirty (30) day extension until September 16, 2015** in which to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

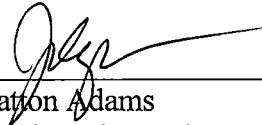


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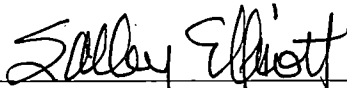
Robert M. Dudek
Chief Appellate Defender



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

This 17th day of August, 2015.

I consent:



Salley W. Elliott, Esquire