

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE SUPREME COURT

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Certiorari to Anderson County

Carmen T. Mullen, Circuit Court Judge  
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WALTER CHASE ALLEY

PETITIONER,

V.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

RESPONDENT

Appellate Case No. 2015-000438  
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**CONSENT MOTION TO FILE THE  
PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI  
AND APPENDIX OUT OF TIME**  
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Pursuant to Rule 240 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules, counsel for Petitioner Walter Chase Alley respectfully requests the relaxation of Rule 263(b), SCACR, and allow leave in which to file the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in this case. In support of this petition he shows:

1. The petition for writ of certiorari in this case was due to be filed on October 9, 2015.
2. Due to historic flooding in the Columbia, South Carolina area, counsel's offices and this Court were closed from October 5th through October 6th and again on October 8th through October 9th. Accordingly, counsel was unable to timely file the petition for writ of certiorari.

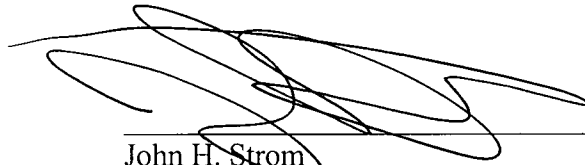
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3. Counsel has prepared and is filing the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix simultaneously with this motion.

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

3. Counsel makes this request in good faith and not for purpose of delay.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel respectfully requests that the Court grant counsel's request to relax Rule 263(b), SCACR, and allow leave in which to file the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in this case out of time based upon the above exigent circumstances



John H. Strom  
Appellate Defender

ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER

October 13, 2015

I Consent:



Patrick Schmeckpeper, Esquire  
Assistant Attorney General