

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

In The Court of Appeals

APPEAL FROM OCONEE COUNTY

R. Lawton McIntosh, Circuit Court Judge

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THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

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SC Court of Appeals

v.

RUSSELL ALAN TUPPER,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2015-000717

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

Counsel for appellant respectfully requests a **fourth and final** extension of thirty (30) days until **December 18, 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 appellant 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 petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Addie Thilavanh v. State of South Carolina in the Supreme Court on November 13, 2015. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Timothy Farris v. State of South Carolina in the Supreme Court on October 27, 2015. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Matthew Gunter with the Court of Appeals on October 26, 2015. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Walter Alley v. State of South Carolina in the Supreme Court on October 13, 2015. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Jarrold Keykendall Harris v. State of South Carolina in the Supreme Court on October 13, 2015. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Donald Roberts v. State of South Carolina in the Court of Appeals on October 12, 2015. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Jo Pradubsri with the Court of Appeals on October 12, 2015. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Joseph Paugh v. State of South Carolina in the Supreme Court on October 7, 2015. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. John Henry Lowery with the Court of Appeals on September 11, 2015. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of James Allen Moore v. State of South Carolina in the Supreme Court on September 9, 2015. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of The State v. Demario Thompson with the Court of Appeals on September 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.

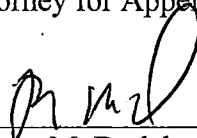
WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final thirty (30) day extension until December 18, 2015**, in which to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

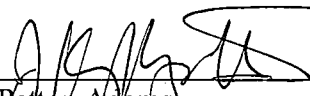


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Appellate Defender

Attorney for Appellant



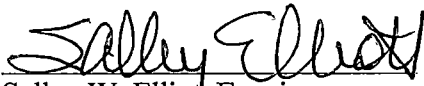
Robert M. Dudek
Chief Appellate Defender



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

This 18th day of November, 2015.

I consent:



Salley W. Elliot, Esquire