

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

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Appeal from Dorchester County
Maite Murphy, Circuit Court Judge

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THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

RALPH MARTIN,

APPELLANT

Appellate Case No. 2015-000311

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

The undersigned counsel respectfully requests a 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 extraordinary circumstances:

1. The initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case are due to be served and filed today.
2. Counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the case of State v. Gary R. Thompson with the Court of Appeals on December 3, 2015. Counsel presented an oral argument in the Supreme Court in the case of State v. Julio A. Hunsberger on December 2, 2015. Counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. James Gardner with the Court of Appeals on November 18, 2015. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Dustin Simmons v. State with the Supreme Court on November 12, 2015. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix


in the case of David Watson v. State with the Supreme Court on November 12, 2015. Counsel presented an oral argument in the Supreme Court in the case of State v. Michael Pearson on November 4, 2015.

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

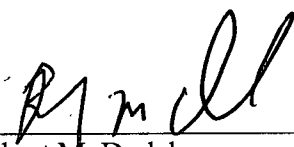
4. As indicated by her consent below, counsel for the state graciously consents to or does not oppose this request.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a thirty day extension. Counsel respectfully 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,




Kathrine H. Hudgins
Appellate Defender



Robert M. Dudek
Chief Appellate Defender

December 7, 2015

I DO NOT OPPOSE:



J. Benjamin Aplm, Esquire