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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

V.

WILBUR A. RICKMON,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2015-000989

MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME
IN WHICH TO FILE THE INITIAL BRIEF OF APPELLANT
AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER IN THIS
APPELLATE PRACTICE PROJECT CASE

Pursuant to Rule 240, SCACR, assigned counsel for Appellant, Mr. Wilbur A. Rickmon, respectfully moves this Court for an extension of time of forty-five (45) days in which to file the Initial Brief of Appellant and Designation of Matter in the above-styled case. This represents the second extension of time requested in this matter. The current deadline for submission of the initial brief and designation of matter is January 11th, 2016. The circumstances that make this request necessary are as follows:

1. Appellant's counsel was assigned Appellant's appeal on October 27th as part of South Carolina's Appellate Practice Project.

2. Appellant's counsel is on the Board of Trustees for the Community Law Program (CLP) in Florida, which serves several thousand indigent in our community and provides legal advocacy for foster children transitioning out of foster care. CLP has unexpectedly lost our staff attorney advocate for the foster youth and Appellant's counsel has had to assume additional duties in filling the void and replacing her.

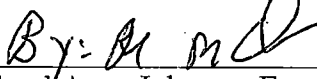
3. Appellant's counsel is a sole practitioner with a heavy workload, including an immediately upcoming civil trial for which she is in preparations.

4. Although Appellant's counsel is diligently working on Appellant's initial brief and designation of matter she respectfully requests an additional 45 days to finalize all the documents. This request is made in good faith and not for purposes of unnecessary delay.

Appellant's counsel has consulted with counsel for the State, who has graciously consented to this request by the signature below.

WHEREFORE, undersigned counsel respectfully requests an additional forty-five (45) day extension in which to file the initial brief of Appellant and designation of matter in this case, based upon the circumstances shown above.

Respectfully,



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January 5, 2016

I do not oppose:

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J. Benjamin Aplin, Esquire