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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

ORIGINAL

Appeal from Florence County

William H. Seals, Jr., Circuit Court Judge

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THE STATE,

SC Court of Appeals
RESPONDENT,

V.

CHRISTOPHER PETERSON,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2015-001359

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

Counsel respectfully requests a **final extension of thirty (30) days until March 17, 2016**, 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 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 her caseload, counsel hopes that no further extension requests will be required.

3. On February 4, 2016, counsel filed a petition for rehearing in Frankie Lee Bryant v. State with this Court. On February 2, 2016, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in Perry B. Buchanan v. State with the Supreme Court. On January 26, 2016, counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in State v. Kyndra Howell with this Court. On January 13, 2016, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in Larry Prophet v. State with the Supreme Court. On January 4, 2016, counsel had an oral argument in State v. Ryan P. Deleston before this Court. On December 29, 2015, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in David Rocquemore v. State with the Supreme Court. On December 22, 2015, counsel filed the brief of petitioner in Elijah Baylock Jr. v. State with the Supreme Court. On December 14, 2015, counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in State v. Terrance Seabrook with this Court.

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.

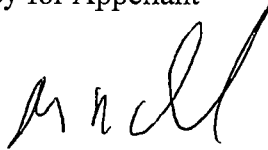
WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final thirty (30) day extension until March 17, 2016**, in which to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case based upon the above exigent circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

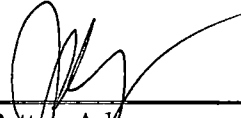


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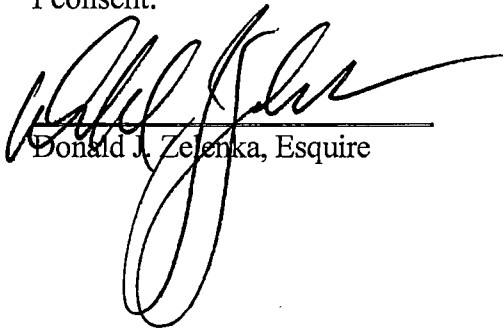
Robert M. Dudek
Chief Appellate Defender



T. Patton Adams
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J. Hugh Ryan, III
General Counsel

This 16th day of February, 2016

I consent:



Donald J. Zelenka, Esquire